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ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL.			
Letter from the —. Reports favourably upon the alterations proposed by the Superintendent of Roads in the mode of preparing his accounts and taking up advances on account of the Road department.	11th July	25th July, 1.	N.N.
Minute thereon	20th "	2.	
Do.—Forwards copy of the circular which he issued to all the Collectors and to the Commissioners of Mysore and Kurnool requesting them to attend to the requisitions made by the assistants to the Superintendent of Roads, by placing funds in the talook treasuries for the purposes of the Road department, and paying the same to them on their receipts.	29th "	1st Aug., 3.	
Order.—Communicated to the Superintendent of Roads, who will intimate to the several Collectors the names of his assistants who are authorized by him to act on the Accountant-General's instructions.	31st "	4.	
Letter from the —. Submits a statement exhibiting the total amount of charges disbursed for works of public utility and general benefit in the calendar year 1853.	12th Aug.	29th Aug., 37.	
Order.—Recorded	—	38.	
ARCOT, NORTHERN DIVISION.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for the formation of the road between Arnee and Trinomallee in the district of North Arcot amounting to Rs. 9,187-0-3.	16th Jan.	24th Feb., 10.	
Order.—Sanctioned	20th Feb.	11.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 4th Division, and recommends that sanction may be granted for the sum of Rs. 2,400 required for tracing the Cuddapahunttum and Gooriatum road in North Arcot.	27th April	9th May, 17.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Consulting Engineer for any observations he may have to offer on this project.	—	18.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 32,052-15-2 for a road between	22nd June	4th July, 14.	

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ARCOT, NORTHERN DIVISION—*cont.* Palmanair and Vencatagherry in North Arcot, and states that an estimate for its maintenance will be submitted as soon as the road is nearly completed.		1854.	
Order.—The Board of Public Works requested to include the estimate for the Vencatagherry Cottah and Palmanair road in the (budget) or list of estimates for submission to the Government of India called for by the orders of Government under date the 13th April last, No. 171.	—	4th July, 15.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 27,260-2-2 for a road from Vellore to Arnee, a distance of 23¾ miles, in the district of North Arcot.	3rd Aug.	22nd Aug., 27.	N.N.
Order.—The Board of Public Works requested to enter this estimate in the list of estimates to be submitted to the Government of India for the current official year.	—	28.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — regarding the backward state of certain maramut works in that district, and observes that the Board are in communication with the Civil Engineer of the 8th Division on the subject of the work of the Madura aqueduct.	7th Aug.	29.	
Order.—Recorded	—	30.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 4th Division, and requests that sanction may be granted for the disbursement of Rs. 900 in the improvement of the Syengoontah Pass between Goriattum and Palmanair and for Rs. 1,150 for tracing the Vencatagherry Cottah and Palmanair line in the North Arcot district.	5th Oct.	31st Oct., 13.	
Order.—Ordered to lie over till a reply to a reference to the Government of India has been received regarding the authority of this Government to sanction estimates for works for 1854–55 not included in the budget.	28th ,,	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statement of emergent expenditure on roads in the district of North Arcot for the year 1852 amounting to Rs. 223-11-0.	16th ,,	17.	
Order.—Sanctioned	28th ,,	18.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for the construction and repairs of public buildings in the district of North Arcot amounting to Rs. 1,321-10-9.	16th ,,	14th Nov., 11.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	6th ,,	12.	
Letter from the Collector of —. Encloses copy of a letter addressed to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue in the Public Works Department, with reference to the observations of Government on the smallness of the amount of work performed in North Arcot in 1853.	23rd ,,	33.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	34.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repair of certain roads in North Arcot.	9th Oct.	19th Dec., 18.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 3.

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ARCOT, NORTHERN DIVISION—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimate for the construction of a new bungalow at Kurkumbady in the district of North Arcot amounting to Rupees 1,754-6-0.	23rd Dec. 1850.	19th Dec., 27A.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 1,928-13-5 for a new travellers' bungalow at Narrahurreepett in the district of North Arcot.	5th Oct.	28.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 3.
Minute thereon	—	33.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 2,739-5-1 for the construction of a new charity tank in lieu of the one at Moosoor in North Arcot destroyed by the railway.	23rd Oct.	37.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned under the circumstances as a special case.	—	38.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the late Acting Collector of North Arcot in explanation of the small amount of expenditure for road works in that district for 1853, and states that the Board will report separately upon the additional superintendence required for the prosecution of the works of that district.	7th Dec.	Date after Cons., 19th Dec., 52.	
Order.—Recorded	—	53.	
ARCOT, SOUTHERN DIVISION.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits an estimate for the formation of the rest of the line between Thellar and Tindevanum in the South Arcot district amounting to Rupees 3,004-10-0, and states in regard to the Civil Engineer's allusion to the project of a railway between Tindevanum and Pondicherry, that the Board propose to report on the subject, when informed of the views of Government upon their general propositions, regarding low-speed railways.	28th Nov. 1853.	6th Jan., 19.	24th April 1854, 7, p. 16.
Minute thereon	—	20.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate for the repair of the road between Porto Novo and trunk road No. 9 within a mile of the Vellar annicut and bridge, a distance of 14⅝ miles, in the district of South Arcot, amounting, with the addition of Rs. 2,400 for two bridges, to Rs. 19,394-5-0.	5th Dec. 1853.	21.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 14.
Minute thereon	—	22.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for approval the proceedings of the Board authorizing the Collector and Civil Engineer under the present necessity of affording employment to the labouring class in South Arcot to proceed with the work of the Porto Novo and Bowengherry road and the Pondicherry and Mylum road.	16th Jan.	27th Jan., 5.	Do.
Order.—The Board to obtain the opinion of the Collector of South Arcot on these propositions. Government observe that the officer who is the head of the district and as remarked the person "from whom all applications for employing the distressed population should come" is quite set aside on this occasion and his functions assumed by the Civil	21st ,,	6.	

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ARCOT, SOUTHERN DIVISION—*cont.*		1854.	
Engineer when there apparently is no emergency to justify a deviation from the rules established for the guidance of the Engineer department.			
Letter from the Collector of—. Returns with his report thereon the petition from certain villagers in his district complaining that trees belonging to them have been felled to supply fuel for burning bricks for the Road department. Considers it highly advisable that fuel for the use of the trunk roads should be obtained by private purchase, and without the interference of the talook native servants, who are apt to misuse any power placed in their hands.	26th Dec. 1853.	27th Jan., 19.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 5.
Minute thereon	25th Jan.	20.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for the formation of a road from Tindevanum to Mercanum in the district of South Arcot amounting to Rs. 7,463-5-0.	16th "	7th Feb., 15.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	16.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 5th Division, recommending the construction of a road from Puttumbakum to Trivady in South Arcot at an estimated cost of Rs. 5,000, and the appointment of another Second Assistant Civil Engineer to the district. States that as there is now a considerable amount of road work under execution in South Arcot for the employment of the distressed population, the Board recommend that an additional Executive officer be appointed to the district for one year at a charge of Rs. 2,295; that Lieutenant Clay, recently appointed, has charge of the line from Cuddalore to the Salem frontier; and that the extra officer, if appointed, will be employed on the more northern lines.	26th Jan.	24th Feb., 22.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 2.
Order.—The disbursement on the road, amounting to Rs. 5,000, specially authorized. Government observe that the appointment of a second officer to superintend road work in the South Arcot district will be made so soon as one qualified is available.	22nd Feb.	23.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for the formation of a road, 17¼ miles in length, from Villapooram on the southern trunk road in the district of South Arcot to Villanoor, the frontier village of the French territory in the direction of Pondicherry, amounting to Rs. 5,542-9-0; and observes that its formation is of importance as it will prove a hindrance to smuggling; also that there is already a good road from Villanoor to Pondicherry; that the French Government will construct those portions west of Villanoor, if the remainder of the work is performed by the Madras Government; and that the Board will communicate with Government on the subject of the proposed bridge at Villanoor when a definite plan is before them. States that there is no Overseer available for the superintendence	2nd "	28th Feb., 12.	Do.

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ARCOT, SOUTHERN DIVISION—*cont.*		1854.	
of this road, and that a reference will be made to the Superintendent of Roads for the services of one if approved by Government.			
Order.—The estimate sanctioned, and the Board desired to apply to the Superintendent of Roads to ascertain if the services of an Overseer for the superintendence of this road can be spared.	—	28th Feb., 13.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submitting letter from the Civil Engineer, 5th Division, with correspondence between that officer and the Collector of South Arcot, recommending an entire change in the line of road between Cuddalore and Salem to be opened under the sanction already granted, and stating that, for the reasons now urged, the Board request the authority of Government for the appropriation of the authorized sum of Rs. 66,257–15–8 on the new line *viâ* Verdachellum instead of Oolundoorpett agreeably to the recommendation of the Collector and Civil Engineer.	16th Jan.	21st Mar., 8.	
Minute thereon	20th Mar.	14.	
Do.—Submitting letter from the Collector of — reporting further upon the late season of cultivation and the food prospects of the district, and requesting sanction for the repair of the road from Cuddalore *viâ* Trivady to Oolundoorpett, five roads in Manargoody and Chellumbrum talooks, and the road from Tricatoor to Chungamah Pass, amounting together to Rs. 16,014–8–0. Stating that the Board have authorized these works to be proceeded with in anticipation of sanction, and requesting also that the officer in charge of the European pensioners at Cuddalore may be authorized to place at the disposal of the Collector and the Civil Engineer such a number of pensioners as may be required as Overseers.	13th Feb.	24.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 29.
Minute thereon	—	25.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submitting, with reference to the order of Government, dated 21st January 1854, a letter from the Collector of — offering explanation on the course taken by Captain Ouchterlony regarding certain road estimates submitted by him direct to the Board.	13th Feb.	31A.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 14.
Order.—Recorded	—	31B.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submitting letter from the Collector of South Arcot with one from the Civil Engineer, 6th Division, who fully approves of the proposed embankment of the Bandypolliam Nullah at Cuddalore, and stating that the Board have authorized the commencement of the work, and solicit sanction for the amount of the estimate, Rs. 3,979–12–0, being defrayed from the surplus chuttrum funds.	2nd Mar.	36.	
Order.—Authorized accordingly	—	37.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for constructing and repairing ferry boats in the district of South Arcot amounting to Rs. 1,292–14–0.	13th Mar.	7th Apr., 1.	
Order.—Sanctioned	29th „	2.	

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ARCOT, SOUTHERN DIVISION—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure for the repair and improvement of Civil buildings in South Arcot for 1852 amounting to Rupees 2,829-11-1.	20th April	9th May, 11.	
Order.—Sanctioned	8th May	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure upon roads, canals, &c., in the district of South Arcot for 1852, amounting to Rs. 2,502-4-10.	20th April	16th May, 1.	
Order.—Sanctioned	13th May	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits plan and estimate for building a teakwood bridge on masonry piers and abutments across the Kalingalaur on the high coast southern road between Pondicherry and Cuddalore in the South Arcot district at an estimated cost of Rupees 28,350 at the joint expense of the French and English Government, with a memorandum by the Chief Engineer, recommending the project. Observes that the amount now requiring sanction, Rs. 14,175, may be lessened should the teakwood required be obtained from Rangoon, and that the French Government has already received sanction for its part of the expenditure.	27th July	22nd Aug., 23.	
Minute thereon	—	24.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 6th Division, reporting upon the bridge erected by the Road department over the Vuddavaur channel at the lower annicut in the South Arcot district, and recommends, under circumstances stated, that all plans made by that department for bridges over irrigating and draining channels may be referred through the Civil Engineer for their approval. Requests that as the Vuddavaur bridge entirely obstructs the navigation in its present state and is injurious to the irrigation also, the Road department may be directed to add to the structure the two side arches of 20 feet each proposed by the Civil Engineer.	27th July	29th Aug., 4.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 10.
Minute thereon	25th Aug.	5.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 15,111-2-0 for repairing the high road from Trinomaly to Tindevanum through Ginghee in South Arcot.	3rd „	12.	
Minute thereon	25th „	13.	
Do.—Forwards a letter from the Civil Engineer, 5th Division, enclosing correspondence with the Collector of —, and requests sanction for the sum of Rs. 10,000 for the completion of certain roads in the South Arcot district.	9th Oct.	14th Nov., 18.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 24.
Minute thereon	8th Nov.	19.	
Do.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repairs of roads in the districts of Malabar and South Arcot amounting to Rs. 2,116-3-0.	4th Dec.	19th Dec., 9.	Do., p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	15th „	10.	

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ARCOT, SOUTHERN DIVISION—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plan and estimate for a road from Chellumbrum to the salt-pans at Killay Tullavadagan and Nuccundemgoody in the South Arcot district.	19th Oct.	19th Dec., 19.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 3.
Do.—Forwards for sanction plan and estimate for opening out the road from Yailoor on the Coleroon to the bank of the Vuddavaur near Chetty Tangal in the Manargoody taluk of the South Arcot district amounting to Rs. 3,346.	30th ,,	25.	Do.
Minute thereon	—	33.	
Do.—Submits plan and estimate for the Ponyar bridge in South Arcot, and recommends that an advance upon the estimate to the amount of Rs. 10,000 may be granted for the preparation of materials; and should such an advance from the treasury not be allowable, that it may be borrowed from the Chuttrum funds pending the sanction of the next budget.	4th Dec.	39.	
Order.—Government approve of the estimate for a bridge over the Ponyar being entered in the budget for 1855-56; but under the orders of the Government of India, are unable to sanction an advance for the immediate commencement of the work.	—	40.	
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BELLARY.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction a supplemental estimate, amounting to Rs. 628, for the formation and repair of the Ramandroog Pass in the district of —.	8th Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 9.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 3.
Order.—Sanctioned	4th Jan.	10.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, that the revised estimate therewith received, amounting to Rs. 439-1-6, for connecting the Bellary tank-bund with the new Bangalore road, may be sanctioned.	12th Dec. 1853.	13.	24th April 1854, 4, p. 15.
Order.—Sanctioned	4th Jan.	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits letters from the Collector of — and the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, recommending that the people in the sub-division of Bellary may be employed during the scarcity in the repair of the Bangalore and Kurnool road, and states that for superintendence for one year the pay of an officer and three Assistant Overseers will amount to Rupees 4,455.	9th ,,	27th Jan., 1.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 2.
Minute thereon	18th ,,	2.	
Do.—Submits, with observations and suggestions, two letters from the Collector of — on the subject of the measures taken by him in employing the distressed labouring poor on road works, and the further measures yet rendered necessary by the circumstances of the season, and recommends that the additional lines which that officer proposes to undertake for the object in view, may be sanctioned.	27th Feb.	14th Mar., 49.	Do.
Minute thereon	—	50.	

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BELLARY—*cont.*		1854.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submitting a letter from the Collector of — with the recommendation of the Board that a communication be made to the Resident of Hydrabad with a view to the employment of the people on the Bellary and Hydrabad road to prevent them from emigrating into Bellary, and stating that the Board do not concur with the opinion expressed by the Deputy Commissioner of the Eastern division of Raichoor Doab that the portion of the road within the Hydrabad territory should be constructed by the Madras Government and that superintendence should also be provided by the Commission.	6th Feb.	21st Mar., 4.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 4.
A Letter addressed to the Government of India.	17th Mar.	5.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, on the subject of the officers and Assistant Overseers required for the Bellary and Kurnool roads, and states that of officers, there are now 5 appointed, and including Lieutenant Davis 5 remain to be so, and of 40 Overseers, 16 have been provided, and 24 are still required; requests that these, or as many of them as can be spared, may be appointed to these roads.	20th „	28th Mar., 9.	N.N.
Order.—Forwards to the Military Department in view to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief being requested to place temporarily at the disposal of the Board of Public Works as many Overseers within the number specified as may be available for employment on the Bellary and Kurnool road.	25th „	10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates amounting to Rs. 7,776–9–8 for constructing a road from Bellary to Ramanamully, and another from Hospet towards the same point.	6th „	12th Apr., 7.	
Minute thereon	—	8.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, regarding the roads under formation by the people in the principal division of the — district, and requests particular notice to the remarks of the Civil Engineer on the necessity of European superintendence. Calling the attention of the Collector to the necessity of enforcing strict regularity in the payment of the labourers employed upon the roads.	20th Mar.	11.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 2.
Minute thereon	—	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure upon Civil buildings in the district of — for the year 1852 amounting to Rs. 7,508–14–0.	24th April	9th May, 13.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	8th May	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure upon roads and bridges in the district of — for 1852 amounting to Rs. 2,505–10–0.	24th April	15.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	8th May	16.	

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BELLARY—*cont.*		1854.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, and with reference thereto recommends that early measures may be taken for the supply of medical aid on the Bellary roads.	15th May	23rd May, 3.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department for the early notice of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief with reference to Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 14th March 1854, No. 123.	17th ,,	4.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — informing that he has taken measures to prevent a continuance of the defect pointed out by the Civil Engineer in respect to the payment of coolies, and observing that the road work under the Tahsildars is progressing satisfactorily, but hoping that they will be shortly relieved by the European officers. States that Captains Owen and Bisset have joined their appointments and that Captain Gill has reported that he will shortly be in the Bellary district, but that Captain Owen has, however, again quitted the district to take up a new appointment.	25th ,,	13th June, 1.	23rd Aug. 1854, 12, p. 1.
Order.—Government consider the explanation of the Collector to be satisfactory and the arrangements he has made under the circumstances to be judicious; should more officers be required, the Collector may apply to the Officer Commanding the Division for the temporary services of any available, but Government trust that the setting in of the June rains will admit of the reduction of the present heavy expenditure at an early date. The Board of Revenue requested to ascertain from the Collector of — whether rain has yet fallen in his district.	9th June	2.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Acting Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, and, under the circumstances therein reported, recommends that provision may be made for additional medical aid to the road gangs in —.	12th ,,	20th June, 3.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department ...	16th ,,	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits letters from the Collector of — reporting that he has arranged with the Soondoor Rajah for an annual compensation to be paid by Government for the lands that will be occupied by the Bellary and Ramanamully road, and again recommends for sanction the estimate for its formation, and also a grant of Rs. 500 for tracing a direct road from Hospett to Ramanamully; submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, intimating that the estimate for the road between Yettenhutty and Bavahully in the Soondoor territory amounts to Rs. 2,085-11-3, and that the total amount now requiring sanction for the Bellary and Bavahully road is Rupees 7,589-12-0.	5th ,,	27th June, 14.	
Minute thereon	—	15.	
Do.—Submits with observations letters from the Collector of — reporting the expenditure to the end of May on account of the distressed population employed	10th July	25th July, 17.	23rd Aug. 1854, 12, p. 1.

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BELLARY—*cont.* upon the roads, as well upon the state and prospects of the season, and the probable necessity of employing the people for a further period.		1854.	
Letter from the Collector of —. Reports on the prospects of the fusly year about to commence in his district on the state of the cultivation and on the general condition of the inhabitants.	10th July	25th July, 18.	23rd Aug. 1854, 12, p. 1.
Minute thereon	—	19.	Do.
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — reporting the increase of the number of applicants for work on roads in his district.	3rd Aug.	22nd Aug., 31.	Do.
Order.—Recorded	—	32.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — forwarding a statement of sums expended on famine roads in that district for the month of August, and observes that the valuation of the work is now raised to about 35 per cent. on the outlay.	18th Sept.	31st Oct., 3.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 17.
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits certain communications from the Civil Engineer of the 3rd Division, and the Collector of — reporting upon the results of the expenditure upon the formation of district roads sanctioned with the view of affording relief to the suffering population of that province from the pressure of the scarcity which still unhappily oppresses it, and proposing a plan of operations for extending and perfecting the system of internal communications in that district and the adjoining province of Kurnool.	5th Oct.	6.	Do.
Minute thereon	27th ,,	7.	Do.
Do.—Forwards a letter from the Collector of — enclosing certificate of qualification as maistry granted by the Civil Engineer to one Somasoondrum. Submits tabular statement, and recommends that, as the present state of the Maraumut department of that Collectorate is very insufficient, the entertainment of a first-class maistry on the permanent establishment on a salary of Rs. 30 per mensem may receive sanction.	23rd ,,	25.	
Minute thereon	30th ,,	26.	
Do.—Submits for sanction supplemental estimates for the completion of the new Hoozoor and Talook cutcherries at —, and observes that the amount thereof, viz., Rs. 1,820–8–9, was occasioned, not from a want of economy but from the defects of the estimates.	23rd ,,	14th Nov., 29.	
Minute thereon	—	30.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, forwarding the Bellary and Canara budgets which will be disposed of when the budgets for 1855–56 are received. Draws attention to paragraph 2 of Lieutenant Walker's letter and requests immediate sanction for Rs. 25,200 for the maintenance of the new roads, formed by the famine coolies, for six months, from 1st proximo, and to the recommendations of the Collector of — and Officiating Agent to the Governor in Kurnool, that the Civil Engineer's permanent road system may be	23rd ,,	31.	Do.

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brought into operation from the 1st of December next. Recommends that the latter proposition may be sanctioned, and that, as the amount solicited by the Civil Engineer includes roads which Government is not prepared to undertake at present, sanction may be granted for the sum required for the eight roads in — and Kurnool for six months, amounting to Rs. 24,540.			
Order.—The Government having recommended in the budget for 1854–55, sanction for completing the roads in — and Kurnool constructed during the current year must await the orders of the Supreme Government.	—	14th Nov., 32.	
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CANARA.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repair and construction of Civil buildings in the district of —, amounting together to Rs. 6,779-1-0.	12th Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 26.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 29.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	27.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — regarding the working of the toll on the Devamany and Arbyle ghauts, and recommends that, as the collection of the toll was commenced from 1st November instead of February, the same may be allowed to continue.	19th Dec. 1853.	32.	24th April 1854, 5, p. 9.
Order.—Authorized accordingly	—	33.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates for annual repairs to buildings, &c., in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 2,880-11-0.	22nd Dec. 1853.	27th Jan., 9.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 29.
Order.—Sanctioned	24th Jan.	10.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 2,639-10-0 for constructing nine wooden bridges on stone piers over the nullahs on the road from Jalsoor to Cassergodi in the — district.	23rd „	24th Feb., 3.	Do., p. 28.
Order.—Sanctioned	16th Feb.	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure in the construction and repair of Civil buildings in the district of — for 1852, amounting to Rupees 12,031-7-11.	30th Jan.	28th Feb., 1.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	27th Feb.	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, enclosing copy of one from the Collector of — proposing a further outlay upon the Neelcond ghaut, and its approaches in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 7,050 with a view to adopt the line of road for the use of carts in dry weather.	13th „	14th Mar., 31.	24th Ap. 1854, 5, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	32.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — applying for Rs. 3,000 for tracing a new ghaut in	20th Mar.	7th Apr., 20.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 28.

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that district in lieu of the Kuddadakul ghaut which communicates between the Nuggur district of Mysore and the road from Bungawaddy to Mangalore, and recommends the same for sanction, the Mysore Commissioner being already sanctioned a similar sum for the upper portion of the line.			
Order.—Sanctioned	6th April	7th Apr., 21.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure upon roads, bridges, &c., in —, amounting to Rs. 19,069-13-3.	23rd Mar.	21st Apr., 8.	
Order.—Sanctioned	18th April	9.	
Letter from the Collector of —. Recommends either Ensign Mecham of the 27th Regiment, Native Infantry, or Lieutenant Palmer of the 4th Native Infantry, for employment on the Munzerabad road.	28th „	23rd May, 11.	N.N.
Minute thereon	20th May	12.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Forwards with the Board's recommendation, an application from the Collector of — for two Ordnance artificers to be employed in the construction of timber bridges over two lines of road in his district.	25th „	6th June, 11.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department in view to the services of two Ordnance artificers being placed at the disposal of the Collector.	5th June	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends that the additional salary of Rs. 450 for the extra period of three months that Lieutenant Thornton was actually employed on the — roads, may receive sanction.	25th May	13th June, 11.	
Minute thereon	12th June	12.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, with one from the Collector of —, recommending the increase of the annual grant for the maintenance of the Coompta and Dharwar road from Rs. 3,822 to Rs. 11,300.	1st „	11th July, 5.	
Minute thereon	10th July	6.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, with copy of one from the Collector of —, recommending an outlay of Rs. 3,750 for the improvement of the Agoombi ghaut, and solicits sanction for the same. States that the Commissioner of Mysore has allowed Rs. 2,000 for the upper part of the ghaut which is within the Mysore territory, and that the Collector proposes to expend from the outlay recommended Rs. 3,000 upon the Canara portion and Rs. 750 for the salary of the Executive officer Mr. Mackenzie to whom it is intended with the permission of Government to entrust the work.	26th June	9.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—The outlay sanctioned, and the employment of Mr. Mackenzie, approved.	10th July	10.	
Letter from the Collector of —. With reference to Minutes of Consultation, dated 20th May last, names certain officers whom he considers competent for employment on the Munzerabad ghaut.	28th June	18th July, 17.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	19.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from Lieutenant Walker remarking upon Lieutenant Thornton's reports on the work performed to the Singawaree ghaut and to the rest of the road between Mullapoor and Hullial in the Soopah talook of the district of —. Recommends for approval the arrangements proposed by the Acting Civil Engineer consequent on Lieutenant Thornton's impaired health for placing an officer and an Assistant Overseer selected from those employed on the Bellary roads in executive charge of the roads in the Soopah talook, also that sanction may be granted for the estimate for the Hullial and Tinny ghaut road, amounting to Rs. 5,000.	24th July	22nd Aug., 7.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 25.
Minute thereon	19th Aug.	8.	
Do.—Submits plan and estimate for the construction of a first-class road, 16 miles in length, from Gairsappa to the summit of the ghaut at Kodkerry in the — district, amounting to Rs. 20,425-9-11, with the recommendation of the Board that, as the traffic has greatly increased on the line since the opening of the ghaut for bullock traffic, the proposition to turn the ghaut into first-class road may receive sanction.	31st July	11.	
Minute thereon	19th Aug.	12.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — proposing that the sum of Rs. 5,000 may be spent on the trace of a new ghaut and road from Yellapoor to the southern bank of the Black river, and recommends under circumstances stated that sanction may be granted for the amount.	7th „	29th Aug., 16.	
Order.—Sanctioned	25th „	17.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — on the subject of the toll levied upon narrow-wheeled carts using the roads in North Canara by the Devamany and Arbyle ghaut, and states that the toll has yielded a profit of Rs. 2,293-4-6, and that the Collector is of opinion that it has been of no hindrance to trade. Observes that the establishment of a toll-bar at Moondagode has been sanctioned by Government on the 10th instant.	27th July	5th Sept., 6.	
Minute thereon	4th Sept.	7.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — regarding the additional salary claimed by Lieutenant Thornton while employed on the Kirworthy and Mavinkoppa roads, and observes that the bills will be submitted when received from the Collector.	21st Aug.	12th Sept., 22.	
Order.—Recorded	—	23.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates for the usual monsoon repairs to Public and Revenue buildings, &c., in the district of — for the year 1854, amounting to Rs. 2,837-3-0.	18th Sept.	3rd Oct., 5.	
Order.—Sanctioned	29th „	6.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the late Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, forwarding Lieutenant Walker's proposition and the opinion of the Collector of — on gradual construction of the Canara roads involving an annual charge of Rs. 32,019 for establishments, nearly one-third of which will meet the amount of salaries for the Executive officers who will not be required when the roads are fully completed. Observes that the plan is extremely well designed and that the amount of expenditure for one year will be entered in the budget for 1854-55 in the same manner as the Bellary road estimate prepared on the same principles.	7th Sept.	10th Oct., 1.	
Minute thereon	5th Oct.	2.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, reporting that he proposes to take with him to — Lieutenant Law and Assistant Overseer Harrison, and suggests that Lieutenant Law be nominated to the vacant situation of Executive officer of the Canara roads *vice* Lieutenant Babington appointed a Second Assistant Civil Engineer. Recommends that Lieutenant Davis may be nominated as Executive officer temporarily, as Lieutenant Walker proposes or else in lieu of Lieutenant Gib, whose resignation was accepted on the 19th ultimo.	18th Sept.	17.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	19.	
Do.—Submits for sanction a supplemental estimate amounting to Rs. 7,124-12-5 for completing the drainage of the Devamany ghaut road between Sircee and Coompta in —.	28th Sept.	24th Oct., 8.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	9.	
Letter from the Collector of —. Requests that Lieutenant Pope of the Artillery may be appointed to the charge of the Munzerabad ghaut in lieu of Ensign Hay.	4th Oct.	10.	N.N.
Order.—Mr. Maltby informed that the services of Lieutenant Pope have been refused of his not having yet qualified for the command of a Company by examination in any Native language.	—	11.	
CHINGLEPUT.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates amounting to Rs. 6,195-4-10 for repairing the cross road from Ponnery to Tachoor and the road from Trivalloor and Kistnapooram in —.	23rd Mar.	12th Apr. 15.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	16.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 16,484-11-11 for the formation of a new road between Saint Thomas' Mount and Poonamallee.	3rd April	2nd May, 33.	
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	—	34.	

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Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — and with reference thereto recommends that the estimate for the new road from the Mount to a point on the — road may be disposed of in the Road department.	6th July	25th July, 5.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 12.
Order.—Forwarded to the Superintendent of Roads, who will report after inspection whether the want will be best supplied by widening the present road or by adopting the proposition of the Military Board which as it would appear is to construct a new road nearly parallel to that already existing.	23rd ,,	6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plan and estimate for the repair of the road from Trivalloor to Coratoor in the — district, amounting to Rs. 14,417-2-2.	10th ,,	22nd Aug., 5.	
Minute thereon	19th Aug.	6.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate for improving the talook cutcherry at Conjeeveram and for building a record room adjoining in the district of—, amounting to Rs. 409-7-9.	19th Oct.	14th Nov., 13.	
Order.—Sanctioned	6th Nov.	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits occasional estimate with sketch for improving the Goodoopaukum tank and for excavating a channel from the Cooum for the better supply of water to this and the Nanum tanks in the — district, and recommends under circumstances stated that sanction may be granted for the amount of the estimate, viz., Rs. 4,880-13-11.	23rd Oct.	19th Dec., 27.	8th June, 1855, 5, p. 3.
Minute thereon	—	33.	
CIVIL AUDITOR.			
Letter from the —. States that Assistant Supervisor Arnold attached to the Trunk Road department is only entitled to draw a moiety of his own salary and a moiety from that of the person who was acting for him during his absence on leave but not his full salary as disbursed by the Superintendent of Roads, and suggests that the amount overdrawn by Mr. Arnold may be recovered from him by the Superintendent of Roads.	24th Dec. 1853.	27th Jan., 13.	
Minute thereon	24th Jan.	14.	
Do.—Solicits orders on the claim to full batta preferred by Lieutenant Barber, Assistant Superintendent of Roads, which for reasons stated has been disallowed by the Audit office	6th July	18th July, 9.	
Minute thereon	15th ,,	10.	
COIMBATORE.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 7th Division, requesting that an officer may be temporarily placed at his disposal for working out the	15th Dec. 1853.	24th Feb., 7.	24th April 1854, 7, p. 8.

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trace of the new Conoor ghaut which the Civil Engineer is about to undertake in communication with Captain Francis, and under the circumstances stated recommends that Lieutenant Hamilton, 27th Regiment, Native Infantry, or any other officer may be nominated a temporary Executive officer with a view to his employment as proposed, and that an additional sum of Rs. 1,200 may be sanctioned to provide for his salary for eight months.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits explanation on the subject of their proposition for the formation of the new Conoor ghaut, and states that through inadvertence the papers connected with the project did not pass through the hands of the Collector of —.	5th Jan.	24th Feb., 8.	24th April 1854, 7, p. 8.
Minute thereon	20th Feb.	9.	
Do.—Submitting estimate for the repair of bridges on the Segoor, Tippacaudoo and Mysore frontier road in the district of — and for the provision of tools for repairing the road, and soliciting sanction for the amount of Rs. 948-11-0 and for an annual allowance for the repair of this line deducting Rs. 900 now allowed for the ghaut of Rs. 1,500.	27th "	21st Mar., 32.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	33.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for the repair and construction of Civil buildings in — for the year 1852, amounting to Rupees 7,545-1-11.	20th Mar.	12th Apr., 13.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an application from the Collector of — for an outlay of Rs. 10,000 for the purpose of affording employment to the distressed population of his district in the repair of roads with reference to the present scarcity.	6th April	17.	
Minute thereon	—	18.	
Do.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure upon roads and bridges in — for 1852, amounting to Rs. 5,197-2-11.	23rd Mar.	21st Apr., 22.	
Minute thereon	—	23.	
Do.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure in repairing and improving the road between Tippacaudoo and Segoor in — during the years 1848 to 1850, amounting to Rs. 4,130-7-0.	1st May	16th May, 7.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	8.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for repairing and improving the road from Trichinopoly to the Neilgherries between Caroor and Metapollium in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 12,074-9-0.	20th April	23rd May, 7.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 14.
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	20th May	8.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits with observations a letter from the Collector of — on the subject of the proposed expenditure of Rs. 10,000 on roads, &c., for the employment of the distressed people during the present season.	4th "	20.	
Order.—Recorded	—	21.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 2,235-9-0 for altering a portion of the Erode and Caroor road between the village of Mulliapollium and the Noyel river in —.	24th April	30th May, 1.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Minute thereon	27th May	2.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of —, and, under the explanation therein afforded, recommends that sanction may be granted for the remaining amounts of expenditure upon roads and bridges in that district for 1852, namely, Rs. 150.	5th June	20th June, 13.	
Minute thereon	—	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plan and estimate for the construction of public choultries at Avenashy and Caroor in the district of —, amounting to Rupees 6,311-6-0.	1st May	4th July, 1.	
Minute thereon	30th June	2.	
Do.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure on Civil buildings in — during 1852, amounting to Rs. 30.	17th July	1st Aug, 11.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits letters from the Collector of —, on the subject of irrecoverable advances for public works and of unclaimed dues to workmen in that district, and recommends under circumstances stated that the total amount, viz., Rs. 1,035-3-8, may be written off the accounts.	24th July	15th Aug., 3.	Do., p. 16.
Order.—Authorized accordingly	10th Aug.	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statement of expenditure on Civil buildings in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 500.	3rd „	22nd Aug., 17.	
Order.—Sanctioned	19th „	18.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure on Revenue buildings in the district of — for the years 1846 and 1848, amounting to Rs. 71-2-1.	31st July	29th Aug., 6.	
Minute thereon	25th Aug.	7.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — with a statement of the disbursements from the surplus Chuttrum funds in that district, and observes that the amount now available is Rs. 9,557-3-1, which, after deduction of Rs. 2,864-4-0 required for the construction of bridges, the Board recommend may be applied to the construction of choultries at Avenashy and Caroor, estimated at Rs. 6,311-6-0.	25th Sept.	10th Oct., 9.	
Order.—Sanctioned	7th Oct.	10.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction a bill amounting to Rs. 3 being the balance of hire for conveying levelling instruments from Madras to —.	5th „	24.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	25.	
Letter from the Collector of —. Reports the serious inconvenience to which the travellers on the Neilgherry ghauts and roads are put by the elephants and camels of the Commissariat department employed	14th Oct.	14th Nov., 5.	N.N.

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in conveying supplies to and from Jackatallah, and requests that they may be forbidden on the narrow ghauts and hill roads.			
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department in reference to Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 4th August last, No. 546.	4th Nov.	14th Nov., 6.	
Letter from the Acting Sub-Collector in charge of —. Forwards for sanction an indent for four sets of mining tools required for the use of his department.	6th "	28th Nov., 11.	
Order.—The Military Board requested to cause the indent to be complied with.	25th "	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits letters from the Sub-Collector in charge of — and the Civil Engineer, 7th Division, reporting on the works performed in that district from the surplus Devastanum and Chuttrum funds, and states that Captain Ludlow's recommendations for a new system of road repair will be considered and reported upon with reference to the last order of Government upon the general subject of roads.	9th "	12th Dec., 1.	
Minute thereon	8th Dec.	2.	
Do.—Submits for sanction two estimates for the construction of bridges across the Chintamany and Thonypollum on the road between Sooloor and —, amounting to Rs. 1,058-8-0.	19th Oct.	19th Dec., 21.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 3.
Minute thereon	—	33.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits, with the recommendation of the Board, a letter from the Acting Civil Engineer, 7th Division, forwarding an application from Captain Brine for permission to resign his appointment, and that another Executive officer may be nominated to the charge of the — and Pollachy road.	16th Dec.	43.	N.N.
Order.—Captain Brine's resignation accepted, and his successor will be appointed as soon as practicable.	—	44.	
COMMITTEE.			
Letter from Major G. Balfour.—Requests that the Public Works Commissioners may have access to the records of Government and to all public offices and officers, with a view to collecting information for preparing the explanation referred to in the Honourable Court's Despatch, dated 22nd March 1854.	11th May	23rd May, 1.	22nd Nov. 1854, 16, p. 1.
Minute thereon	17th "	2.	
Letter from the Members of the late Commission on the Public Works Department.—Submits explanation in reply to the charges brought against them by the Members of the late Government in their Minutes upon the first report of the Public Works Commissioners, and requests that it may be printed, and that Government will afford the same circulation to it as was given to the charges in question.	12th Oct.	14th Nov., 35.	Do.
Minute thereon	—	37.	
COMPANY'S SERVANTS.			
Minute by the Honourable Mr. Eliott.—Recording his observations on the memorial from Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton, Chief Engineer, to the Honourable Court, appealing against certain charges brought	21st Jan.	14th Feb., 11.	10th Feb. 1854, 1, p. 5.

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against him in the proceedings of Government on the first report of the Public Works Commissioners.			
Minute by the Honourable Mr. Thomas.—Recording his observations on the memorial from Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton, Chief Engineer, to the Honourable Court, appealing against certain charges brought against him in the proceedings of Government on the first report of the Public Works Commissioners.	24th Jan.	14th Feb., 12.	10th Feb. 1854, 1, p. 5.
Minute thereon	10th Feb.	13.	Do.
Note by the Honourable Mr. Thomas.—Observes that the Board of Public Works should be told that Government view with regret changes of the nature proposed by them in the line of road between Cuddalore and Salem already sanctioned, as they indicate that little care or thought could have been bestowed upon the original project which was recommended only in September 1853, and sanctioned so recently as October last by the Government of India ; that this rejected line moreover was the one pressed upon the attention of Government so lately as in June last for the construction at a great cost of a low-speed railway, and that had this been sanctioned and carried out, there would have been a lamentable waste of the Government resources through the ignorance of the Board and the Chief Engineer of the localities. Observes that this case strongly illustrates the uselessness of a Board at the Presidency.	30th Jan.	21st Mar., 9.	
Note by the Honourable Mr. Eliott.—Has no objections to recording remarks corresponding with those made by the Honourable Mr. Thomas upon the recommendation of the Board of Public Works for an entire change in the line of road between Cuddalore and Salem already sanctioned by the Government of India, but hopes it is not intended to forbid what appears to be so decidedly an improvement of the line. Thinks that all that is necessary is to condition that the sanctioned estimate must be shown to be sufficient for the new line.	13th Feb.	11.	
Note by the Honourable Mr. Thomas.—Feels a difficulty in assenting to sanction, without reference to the Government of India, the entirely new line of road, for which neither plans nor estimates have yet been submitted, between Cuddalore and Salem in lieu of the one sanctioned lately by that Government. Observes that the line, or project recommended for sanction to the Supreme Government was one, upon which the late Engineer Captain Smythe had been occupied for months, that it was strongly recommended by the Board, and that the Chief Engineer moreover urged that this very line should be laid down as a permanent low-speed railway. Observes that the Board now state that the line so recently strongly approved by them is now considered altogether bad, and that another line should be adopted. Is of opinion that no dependence can be placed upon the recommendation of the Board, if their strong representations are given one day in favour of projects and recalled the next; and that further information is necessary before final orders are passed, also that the two lines should be examined upon the	24th "	13.	

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spot by the Chief Engineer, or by some other competent party together with the Collector, that Government may have something upon which to act, as there is nothing at present before it but the contradictory representations of the Board of Public Works and of the Civil Engineers.		1854.	
Minute thereon	20th Mar.	21st Mar., 14.	
Minute by the Honourable Mr. Thomas.—On the subject of low-speed railways.	—	2nd May, 3.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 10.
Do. by the Honourable Mr. Eliott.—Do. do. ...	1st Dec. 1853.	4.	
Do. do. —Do. do. ...	18th Jan.	6.	Do.
Do. by the Honourable Mr. Thomas.—Do. do. ...	28th „	7.	Do.
Do. do. —Do. do. ...	11th Feb.	8.	Do.
Minute thereon	24th April	9.	Do.
Minute by the Honourable Mr. Thomas.—Concludes that it is not intended that the Civil officers throughout the Presidency resident in many cases in the districts should not be consulted in projects affecting their districts, and thinks that it would be an error and of a public injury if roads, canals, or ports are sanctioned before their views are laid as heretofore before Government.	19th July	3rd Oct., 3.	
Minute thereon	28th Sept.	4.	
Do.—Thinks it unadvisable to appropriate so large a sum as four lacs per annum for extending the system of internal communications in Bellary and Kurnool, as recommended by the Board of Revenue, or to devote the services of so large a number of officers to the works of but two districts. Observes that if the works now proposed were carried out in Bellary and Kurnool, and the other provinces of the Presidency neglected, it would be an impolitic and unprofitable, comparatively, employment of the funds and Agency at the Command of Government, and for reasons stated does not consider the views of the Board practical or sound, but the reverse.	13th „	31st Oct., 5.	8th June 1855, 5.
Minute thereon	27th Oct.	7.	
Do.—Recording certain observations and suggestions in reference to the explanation contained in the report of the late Commissioners on Public Works.	25th „	14th Nov., 36.	22nd Nov. 1854, 16, p. 1.
Minute thereon	—	37.	
COORG.			
Letter from the Commissioner of —. Requests that Lieutenant J. Carpendale may be permitted to supervise the work on the new line of road from Mercara to Perambaddy.	5th Aug.	15th Aug., 9.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department. Government hope that the Commander-in-Chief will comply with this request.	11th „	10.	
Letter to the Commissioner of —. Stating that instructions have been issued to Lieutenant Carpendale, Commanding Sappers and Miners, to give as much of his supervision as the nature of his other duties will admit to the works on the new line of road from Mercara to Parambaddy, and also to detach some sappers, should there be any available, to superintend the working parties.	26th „	29th Aug., 28.	

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Minute of —. Under the representation of the great amount of traffic passing on the line of road from Fraserpett to Mangalore, sanctioning from the 1st May ensuing an annual sum of Rs. 10,525 for its repair in substitution of that previously authorized.	4th Jan.	6th Jan., 8.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bills for expenditure incurred in the official year 1852–53 in the repair of the western trunk road No. 1 from the 4th to the 129th mile, amounting to Rs. 1,30,747–1–4.	4th ,,	16.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bills for work executed on trunk roads Nos. 8 and 9 during the second half of the year 1852–53, amounting to Rs. 21,501–4–6.	4th ,,	18.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate for the repair of the road from Tindevanum to Thellar in the district of South Arcot, amounting to Rs. 3,004–10–0, and observing that the subject of low-speed railways which is referred to by the Board of Revenue will be separately disposed of.	—	20.	24th April 1854, 7, p. 16.
Do.—Recording the views of Government on the estimate submitted by the Board of Public Works for the repair of the road between Porto Novo and trunk road No. 9, within a mile of the Vellar anniout and bridge, a distance of 14½ miles, in the district of South Arcot, amounting, with the addition of Rs. 2,400 for two bridges, to Rupees 19,394–5–0, and, under the urgent necessity, resolving to submit for the favourable consideration of the Government of India.	—	22.	28th April 1854, 9.
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate for the construction of part of trunk road No. 11 from Poothalapet to Yerlumpilly near Damulcherroo on the line to Cuddapah, a distance of nearly 10½ miles, amounting to Rs. 31,954–12–6.	9th Jan.,	13th Jan., 2.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bill submitted by Mr. Bourdillon, President of the late Commission, for enquiring into and reporting upon the system of Public Works for office establishment from 1st to 11th December 1853, amounting to Rs. 35–7–9.	9th ,,	3.	
Do.—Sanctioning the disbursement made in 1852 from the Salem Cart fund for the repair of roads in that district, amounting to Rs. 3,125–14–0, and directing that the statement of expenditure with the translation in Tamil be published in the Official Gazette for general information.	11th ,,	5.	
Do.—Noticing the statement of expenditure incurred during the year 1851 upon public works of every description, the cost of superintendence and the percentage borne by the latter to the former.	—	7.	20th Oct. 1854, 14.
Do.—Sanctioning the proposition to employ during the present scarcity the people in the sub-division of the Bellary Collectorate in the repair of the Bangalore and Kurnool road which runs through that district north and south, and directing that arrangements be made for the early commencement of the work, and that periodical reports of the progress be furnished showing the charges incurred including the cost of superintendence. Requesting that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief will allow	18th Jan.	27th Jan., 2.	28th April 1854, 9.

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COUNCIL—*cont.* the services of an officer from the vicinity, to be made temporarily available for the duty, if one can be spared.		1854.	
Minute of —. Concurring with the Board of Public Works that work on roads and channels affords, in preference to that on bridges, the best means of relief to a community suffering from want and scarcity, and sanctioning under the present emergency the repair and improvement of the three lines enumerated by the Board. Observing that the two additional officers required for superintending these roads will be appointed as soon as possible, and desiring the Board to instruct the Civil Engineer to forward plans and estimates for the bridges recommended by Mr. Conway, that the work and expenditure on roads now sanctioned may be made of more value. In the mean time to authorize the collection of the stones from the old fort at Kurnool and their deposit at the site of the proposed bridges thus affording additional employment to the people if conveyed on carts drawn by cooly labourers.	20th Jan.	27th Jan., 4.	28th April 1854, 9.
Do.—Observing that, under the opinion expressed by the Civil Auditor, Assistant Supervisor Arnold is liable to retrenchment on account of the full salary disbursed to him while on leave on the Neilgherries, but that as he has rendered valuable services while in charge of the portion of the northern trunk road No. 6, and has suffered in health while in the execution of his duties there, relieving him from the retrenchment as a special case, but directing that the Superintendent of Roads will for the future abide by the rules, and permit to the Assistant Supervisor during his further leave only such allowances as the Civil Auditor reports he is entitled to.	24th „	14.	
Do.—Forwarding to the Superintendent of Roads a letter from the Collector of South Arcot with the view of his making arrangements as therein suggested for the supply of fuel to his department which will make it wholly independent of the aid or interference of the District officers. Directing that the petition from certain villagers in South Arcot complaining that trees belonging to them have been felled to supply fuel for the Road department, be endorsed as follows: "Petitioners are referred to the Collector of South Arcot, who will cause investigation to be made into their complaints; measures have been taken to prevent any interference by the Road department with trees, the property of cultivators and others."	25th „	20.	10th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 5.
Do.—Sanctioning the bills submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for works performed on trunk roads Nos. 2, 6 and 8, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 28,924–0–9. Observing that the bills for work executed on the northern trunk road, which commence with November 1851, should have been submitted earlier; that the charge for keeping in repair the road between Itchepore and the Bengal frontier during 1852–53 is in excess of the sum authorized, and that no cause is assigned for the increase.	—	32.	

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COUNCIL,—*cont.* *Minute of —.* Sanctioning in anticipation of the approval of the Government of India the construction of six lines of cross road in the district of Vizagapatam recommended by the Board of Public Works with the view of giving employment to the people during the present scarcity, and directing the immediate commencement of the works as well as the excavation of the tank which is stated to be required between Vizagapatam and Waltair. Observing that application will be made through the Military Department to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for the services of three officers from the nearest stations for the superintendence of these lines, as well as for an order to the Officer Commanding the European Veteran Battalion or Pensioners at Vizagapatam to place at the disposal of the 1st Assistant Civil Engineer twelve men who may be available and approved by that officer. With reference to the suggestion of Lieutenant Rundall that the services of the Assistant Collectors might be usefully employed in the supervision of the work and payment of the people. Observing that as there are three Assistants in Vizagapatam arrangement can well be made at least for the supervision of a portion of the work.	—	1854. 27th Jan., 36.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 19.
Do.—Sanctioning the employment of the people during the present scarcity on the proposed lines of roads from the Nellore coast into the interior districts of Cuddapah and Kurnool at an average outlay of Rs. 1,000 per mile to be laid out by the Executive officers, and observing that there are other communications which should be taken into consideration particularly that south of the Pennar, recommended by the Collector. Drawing the attention of the Board of Revenue to the desirability of planning a more direct road from Nellore to Cuddapah, and desiring to know what further superintendence will be required for the Raupoor road and the charge per mile, also to report the progress of these works and their effect on the condition of the people, and on their completion to submit arrangements for their future maintenance.	—	44.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 7.
Do.—Under the recommendation of the Board of Revenue, directing that Mr. William Harrington be employed in the Public Works Department on a salary of Rs. 250 per mensem payable from the sanctioned estimates of the Tinnevelly Cotton roads, the construction of which he is to Superintend.	—	49.	
Do.—Before entertaining the proposition for the employment of Captain Babington of the Artillery in the Public Works Department, desiring to be informed whether the Commander-in-Chief accedes to Captain Rundall's application for the services of Lieutenant Thompson on the passes as Government have reason to believe that some difficulty exists to detaching officers of the Artillery from their Corps.	4th Feb.	7th Feb., 6.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*			
Minute of —. Forwarding to the Board of Public Works and to the Superintendent of Roads an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, with instructions as therein requested, to furnish the Quartermaster-General of the Army with half-yearly statements showing all changes of the nature described which may have been made in roads. Directing that the Commissioner in Mysore and the Resident in Travancore and Cochin be requested to cause similar information to be supplied to the Quartermaster-General.	—	1854. 7th Feb., 18.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bill submitted by the Acting Superintendent of the American Mission Press for pressing sheets and stiff covering 180 copies, Proceedings of the Madras Government on the first report of the Public Works Commissioners, 4to cloth back and green wrapper, at As. 8 each, amounting to Rs. 90.	—	20.	
Do.—Forwarding to the Honourable Court memorials from Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton complaining against the publication of certain Minutes reflecting on him, and regarding the proceedings of Government with respect to certain young Engineer officers who memorialised the Court respecting the appointment of Assistant Secretary to the Board of Public Works, also forwarding his letter requesting permission to print certain documents together with Minutes of the Members of Government, and the papers having reference to the application of the Board of Public Works for the promotion of certain Engineer officers who had previously memorialised the Court. Informing Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton that, pending the orders of the Government of India and the Honourable Court on the report of the Public Works Commissioners, Government do not consider it to be open to them to accord to him the permission he solicits to print certain public documents.	10th Feb.	14th Feb., 13.	10th Feb. 1854, 1, p. 5.
Do.—Noticing the accounts furnished by the Superintendent of Roads of the actual financial view of the Road department from the commencement of operations in May 1846 to the 31st October 1853, and observing that if the bills sanctioned and ready for submission be reckoned, the expenditure per annum during the last 7½ years the Road department has been in existence will average Rs. 1,87,086, or including the sums outstanding on works in progress (some probably finished), the extent of road repair will amount to Rs. 2,74,997 annually, and that there is thus, at the disposal of Government for disbursement on trunk roads, an undrawn amount of Rs. 9,37,522 being at the rate of Rs. 1,25,003 per annum less the charge for superintendence and establishment.	11th „	15.	N.N.
Do.—Sanctioning, under the authority of the Government of India, the expenditure of Rs. 19,394-5-0 for the repair of the road between Porto Novo and trunk road No. 9.	11th „	17.	28th April 1854, 9.
Do.—Sanctioning the bill submitted by the Acting Superintendent of the American Mission Press amounting to Rs. 7-8-0.	11th „	18.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Authorizing the commencement of the Nundy Cunnama ghaut on the scale now proposed, viz., 20 feet wide, and sanctioning the expenditure on it, of the amount of the estimate already authorized, viz., Rs. 15,698-5-6, as well as the further disbursement of Rs. 32,700 required for its completion, and road on either side. Observing that the Chief Engineer should have recorded his opinion as to the necessity for the increase of width, and desiring that this may now be done without delay, and that the Board, on having his concurrence, will order the ghaut to be constructed at the width named. States that Government will take an early opportunity of obtaining the confirmation of the Government of India to the sanction now given to the estimates, and desiring that the Board will keep Government informed of the progress of this work.	13th Feb.	14th Feb., 20.	28th April 1854, 9.
Do.—Communicating to the Board of Public Works Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department forwarding letter from the Adjutant-General stating, under the circumstances brought to notice, that Lieutenant Thompson of the Artillery cannot be spared for employment under Captain Rundall.	—	24.	
Do.—Sees no objection under the explanation furnished by the Board to allow the work of tracing for a new ghaut between Coonoor and the low country, to proceed on the sanction already conveyed in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 5th November 1853, No. 402, on the understanding that the line so traced will not be adopted without a special report upon it, and a revised estimate for the ghaut being communicated in the first instance to the Collector of Coimbatore for any observations he may have to offer, and afterwards submitted for the orders of Government; and with the proviso, that Captain Fancis is not to be withdrawn for any time from the Barracks. Observing that Lieutenant Hamilton of the 27th Regiment, Native Infantry, will be employed in working out the trace of the new Coonoor ghaut, and draw a civil salary of Rs. 150 per mensem for eight months for this duty.	20th Feb.	24th Feb., 9.	24th April 1854, 7, p. 8.
Do.—Noticing the statements made in the memorial to the address of the Honourable Court from P. Vencatareddy, contractor of Cocanada lattice bridge in Rajahmundry, and observing that on the claim of the contractor to compensation having been recommended by the Board of Revenue, it was rejected on the report of Captain Orr, then Acting Civil Engineer of the Division, "that the foundation of the bridge had been built in a cheaper mode than the estimate provided for," that the memorialist represents that Captain Orr took charge of the division only after the completion of the bridge, and that the officers Colonel Cotton and Captain Rundall who superintended the work from its commencement and during its progress approved of the materials, and declared the work to be strong. Before therefore forwarding the memorial to its address, and in order to place	—	33.	

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COUNCIL—*cont* before the Honourable Court an accurate view of the whole transaction, requesting the Board to furnish a report on the nature of the engagement entered into by the contractor and on the several statements made by him.		1854.	
Minute of—. Observing that the object aimed at by the Military Board of providing all the tools required for the public service by manufacture in the country is most desirable that Government is willing to encourage it, but that the extent of the supply which they propose to provide seems greater than is necessary, and as the Subordinate Judge of Salem states that 1,000 mamooties and 1,000 pickaxes can be made up monthly, that there is no reason why an order should be given at once for 20,000 of each, which it will take 20 months to execute, and will place on store more than enough to supply the demand for several years. Directing therefore that one year's supply, viz., 12,000 of each, be provided, and that the Military Board will adopt measures to prove the tools and ascertain that their quality was equal to standard before receiving them into store or issuing them. Considering it unnecessary that Lieutenant King of the Vellore Arsenal should go to Salem for the express purpose of setting the business in train; but as his presence may otherwise be useful, observing that Government will not object to his going on the terms proposed by the Board, but with the understanding that he is not to interfere with the plans of the Subordinate Judge.	—	24th Feb., 37.	
Do.—Passing orders on the letter from the Honourable Court noticing the proceedings of Government with reference to a representation from the Board of Revenue in the Public Works Department on occasion of the appointment of Captain Greenlaw of the 46th Regiment, Native Infantry, to be Assistant Secretary to the Board, as well as the representations contained with respect to it in the memorials of certain Engineer officers, and communicating their views and instructions on the subject.	—	42.	24th Feb. 1854, 2, p. 4.
Do.—Sanctioning the further sum of Rs. 6,102-2-10 required for constructing bridges and drains between Naggery and Kirkumbuddy, and desiring the Superintendent of Roads to take care that the repairs of this line are attended to, and to report what has been done with the nine thousand rupees which, under the orders of the 14th August 1852, were sanctioned for the improvement of the same line of road within the Cuddapah district.	27th Feb.	28th Feb. 4.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 4.
Do.—Under the authority granted by the Government of India, directing that the "Proceedings of Government on the first report of the Commissioners on Public Works," of which 200 copies have been printed, have been partially distributed, be now disposed of as specified, and that 40 copies be sent to Messrs. Pharoah and Company for sale at Rs. 3-8-0 each.	—	15.	
Do.—Observing that Government is not prepared at present to authorize the levy of tools at any of the places named by the Superintendent of Roads, and	3rd Mar.	14th Mar., 4.	24th April 1854, 5, p. 14.

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COUNCIL—*cont.* desiring the Board of Public Works to furnish, at the expiration of a year from its coming into operation, a report showing the effect of the toll which was authorized to be levied on the Dewamany and Arbyle ghauts.		1854.	
Minute of —. Observing that Government is not satisfied with the reasons assigned by the Collector of Tanjore for recommending the demolition of the walls of the town of Tranquebar, that the possession of a town walled as Tranquebar was one of the reasons assigned by the Commission for receiving charge of the Danish possessions for its occupation as the head-quarters of the Collector's establishment, and that a very little timely repairs to the walls such as was made by the Danish Government would have preserved them in the order it was intended they should be. Desiring the Collector to state whether any expense has been incurred since the acquisition of the Danish territory in repairing the town walls, what would now be required to restore them to the condition they were in at the time of cession, and what would be the cost of demolishing them, also whether it is the general wish of the inhabitants to have the town walls removed, and whether they are not regarded as security against robbery. Observing that on sanitary grounds Government cannot believe the measure called for, as the town has always been considered peculiarly salubrious and its climate specially congenial to Europeans.	3rd Mar.	14th Mar., 6.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 38.
Do.—Sanctioning the statements submitted by the Military Board of charges incurred in supplying glazed shutters to the office of the Collector of Madras and in repairs to the arrack distillery at Tondiarpett, amounting to Rs. 477-9-0.	3rd „	8.	
Do.—As there is reported by the Collector of Tanjore to be considerable traffc across the island that bisects the Coleroon, and as this may be expected greatly to increase when the trunk road No. 8 is completed, sanctioning the expenditure of a sum of Rs. 960-11-10 for the erection of a choultry for the accommodation of Native travellers at the Lower Coleroon annicut, but desiring that all sums realized by the sale of chunam there manufactured be regularly brought to account.	3rd „	10.	
Do.—Informing the Board of Public Works that Captain Watts is on medical certificate until March 1855, and that his services are not available for employment in the Public Works Department unless that officer is prepared to cancel the leave granted to him, and submit a medical opinion of his fitness to enter upon the duty proposed.	7th „	15.	
Do.—Observing that Government cannot pass any orders upon the suggestion of the Military Board to create a warrant grade in the Public Works Department in assimilation with the systems of the other Presidencies without further and more full information, &c.	—	19.	
Do.—With the exception of the estimates for the construction of new bungalows at Juggumpetta at Rajahmundry and at Chetwye in Malabar which	—	21.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.* will be considered separately, sanctioning the remaining estimates submitted by the Board of Public Works for the repair and construction of Civil buildings in certain districts, amounting to Rs. 20,122–0–6.		1854.	
Minute of —. Observing that it is doubtless desirable that the line of road from Vizagapatam to Yamoolawalsah near Bimlipatam should be bridged, and that application will therefore be made to the Government of India for sanction for the additional outlay estimated for this purpose, and for an annual allowance of Rs. 1,750 for maintaining it and the road from Vizagapatam (South) to Ankapilly in repair; and sanctioning the further outlay of Rs. 1,500 for completing the road to Yamoolawalsah.	—	14th Mar., 25.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 17.
Do.—Sanctioning the bills submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for work performed on trunk roads Nos. 6 and 10, amounting to Rs. 78,122–4–6; also granting authority for writing off to profit and loss the sums reported to have been robbed from maistry Condasawamy, and found deficient in the late Assistant Overseer Smyth's accounts, amounting together to Rs. 318–10–4, and directing that for the future such sums may not be included in the accounts of the road expenditure, but be separately exhibited in view to their being written off the public books.	—	40.	
Do.—Sanctioning the arrangements which the Collector of Bellary has pointed out for the employment of the distressed labouring poor on road works in his district as well as for the employment of such Native assistants as may be necessary during the period of distress, and hoping that the full execution of the roads Nos. 1 to 5 and of No. 7 by the Superintendent of Roads will afford sufficient employment and save the necessity of Nos. 6 and 8 being undertaken. With reference to the statement of the Collector that the ordinary rates allowed to the wudders will not suffice on this occasion on account of the dearness of food, and that a general rate of As. 1–10 per day appears to be allowed, desiring to be informed how much this exceeds the ordinary rate and what quantity of food it will purchase compared with what is usually consumed by working people. Observing that great care should be used to keep the rates down to what will provide mere subsistence in order that the people may not be tempted to stay when they can get other work by which they can exist; that application will be made for the services of four officers besides one in lieu of Captain O'Grady to superintend the road works in the Bellary district as well as for medical attendance and accommodation for sick; and that the coolies should be required to hut themselves and that tents should be restricted solely to the sick, also that the arrangements now authorized are temporary and that the earliest opportunity should be taken for relieving the state of this extra expenditure, of which the Collector will give timely intimation.	—	50.	28th April 1854, 9.

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the bill submitted by the Superintendent of the American Mission Press, amounting to Rs. 127-6-0, for binding the second report of the Commissioners on Public Works.	—	14th Mar., 53.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimates for boats, bridges and roads repairs in certain districts, amounting to Rs. 4,744-10-0, and observing in respect to the item of Rs. 245-8-0 for a second boat in the Nellore district that the new north road recently sanctioned will not pass by the Joovuldinna river at that point, and that the expense of a second boat which would be of little use without a second establishment may be dispensed with. Desiring the consideration of the Collector to this view before acting on the sanction for building a new boat.	15th Mar.	21st Mar., 2.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Do.—With reference to the recommendation of the Board of Public Works that the amount sanctioned by the Government of India for the formation of a road from Cuddalore to the boundary of Salem new line suggested by the present Engineer Captain Ouchterlony as being more preferable, observing that Government cannot but view with regret changes of the nature now proposed as they indicate that little care could have been bestowed upon the original project, and at the same time manifest the little dependence that can be placed upon the recommendation of the Board; that had the low-speed railway which was so strongly urged upon the attention of Government been sanctioned and carried out, it would have entailed as now shown a lamentable waste of the Government resources arising from a want of an adequate knowledge of the localities on the part of the proper authorities. With reference however to the superior advantages of the line of road now proposed by Captain Ouchterlony by which several large trading towns will be connected, sanctioning the sum of Rupees 66,257-15-8, authorized by the Government of India, being appropriated to the formation of the road *viâ* Virdachellum instead of Oolundoorpett provided it can be shown that this amount is sufficient for the new line. Directing that these proceedings be communicated to the Government of India with a request that the money already allowed for a road to the frontier of Salem may be appropriated to the line which has now been found to be preferable.	20th „	14.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate for completing the Pooraparamba canal in the district of Malabar, amounting to Rs. 5,735-1-0, and desiring to be furnished with periodical reports of the progress of the work under the authority now communicated.	20th „	16.	
Do.—Sanctioning bills submitted by the Superintendent of Roads, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 8,856-14-7, for work performed on trunk roads Nos. 5 and 10.	20th „	20.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Directing that Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton's further memorial appealing against not having been permitted to print certain documents, be forwarded to the Honourable Court. Observing that Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton has appended to his present memorial a copy of his letter to Government on the same subject, in respect of which the orders of that Court will be solicited.	20th Mar.	21st Mar., 23.	
Do.—Sanctioning the further outlay recommended by the Board of Public Works in the repair of the road between Cuddalore and Oolundoorpett, in the general repair of five roads in the Manargoody and Chellumbrum talooks, and in the repair of the road from Tricaloor and Trinomalee and the Chengumah Pass, with a view of affording early employment to the labouring classes in the district of South Arcot, amounting to Rs. 16,014-8-0; observing that application will be made through the Military Department for the services of such a number of pensioners from the depôt at Cuddalore as may be required for road work being placed at the disposal of the Collector and the Civil Engineer.	—	25.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 29.
Do.—Approving to proceed with the repair of the Cuddapah and Bellary frontier road for the purpose of affording employment to the distressed labouring population in that direction, and observing that an officer will be appointed to superintend the work as soon as one is available; in the mean time desiring the Board to appoint three Assistant Overseers and to instruct the Collector to appoint one of his Assistants to superintend the employment and payment of the work-people unless other public service will be seriously impeded by one being temporarily detached for this duty.	—	29.	
Do.—Renewing for a further term of three years the authority granted in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 4th September 1850, No. 173, for an annual allowance of Rs. 1,150 for the maintenance in repair of the Munzerabad ghaut and road, and desiring the Collector of Canara to submit for selection the names of two officers for the charge of trunk road No. 2 and its branches.	—	35.	
Do.—Sanctioning estimates submitted for the repair and improvement of roads in the Trichinopoly district, amounting to Rs. 8,789-9-2, and desiring that the Collector be advised not to undertake more work of this description than the resources of his district will enable him to complete.	23rd Mar.	28th Mar., 2.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 7.
Do.—Observing that when the improvement of the passes on the two lines of road referred to in the letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways was first proposed, the direction of the rail road was not settled; that it is now nearly determined that the rail shall take a line parallel to the passes, one of which the Superintendent proposes to open at a considerable expense. Concurring with the Consulting Engineer that this expense need not be incurred. Observing that it is not the exact province of the officer superintending the trunk roads to lay out plans of lines for feeding the railway; that this	23rd „	4.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 11.

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COUNCIL—*cont.* duty belongs to the several Collectors and Civil Engineers of the district through which the rail road passes; but that Government has no objection to the Consulting Engineer putting himself in communication with the Superintendent of Roads on this subject, and also with the Collectors and Civil Engineers, so that as the rail road advances there may be feeding lines to it at appropriate points by which the utmost possible use of the rail may be open to the inhabitants of the villages far from and near to it.		1854.	
Minute of—. With reference to the recommendation of the Board of Public Works for the substitution of a low-speed railway upon the Berhampore and Russulcondah road, for the formation of which the Honourable Court have sanctioned an estimate of Rs. 1,42,246, observing that on the general question of low-speed railways a reference is being made to the Government of India whose views will be communicated to the Board of Revenue in due course, but that in the mean time Government are not prepared to countenance the experiment proposed by the Board on this line, as it does not appear that the traffic beyond Aska which is only about half the distance to Russulcondah will be sufficient to justify it.	25th Mar.	28th Mar., 6.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 21.
Do.—Observing that nothing whatever has been attempted by the Revenue and Engineer authorities connected with the Cuddapah district for the improvement of the main road by the aid of the portion of the Rs. 15,000 granted by Government at the recommendation of the late Captain Best; that within the limits of the 4th Division Captain Colleyar has effected a real improvement with the smaller sum placed at the same time at his disposal, and that that officer's laudable exertions to carry out the intentions of Government contrasted with the indifference exhibited by the Collector of Cuddapah Mr. Murray and the late Civil Engineer Major De-Butts, place their conduct in an unfavourable light before Government. Directing therefore that the object for which an expenditure of Rs. 9,000 in Cuddapah was sanctioned be immediately carried out, and reports of the progress furnished at the end of three or six months.	—	13.	Do., p. 4.
Do.—Observing that Government is not prepared to sanction the disbursement of so large a sum as Rs. 3,017-14-11 recommended by the Board of Public Works for the construction of a new bungalow in lieu of the one at Bezorah about to be removed, and calling their attention to the orders of the Honourable Court limiting the expenditure on this account to Rs. 2,000. Observing that Government is not disposed to acquiesce in the assumption that the materials of the present bungalow will be wholly unavailable, and that it is to be expected that some part of them may be used for the new building and their cost thereby reduced. Requesting therefore that the Board will reconsider their proposition with special reference to the Honourable Court's views.	30th Mar.	7th April, 11.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the estimates for bridges, &c., on the Guntoor and Munchalla road in the Guntoor district, amounting to Rs. 4,278-5-0, and presuming that these works like those sanctioned on the 8th February will have the advantage of Mr. Rhode's superintendence.	6th April	7th April, 19.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Do.—Communicating to the Military Department, for the purpose of being notified in a Government Order, the appointment of Captain W. H. Watts of the 5th Regiment, Native Infantry, to be temporarily employed as Executive officer under the orders of the Board of Revenue in the Department of Public Works.	—	26.	
Do.—Under the circumstances noticed, sanctioning the estimate prepared by Lieutenant Magrath for the construction of a portion of trunk road No. 6 within his range from Soobaram to the bridge over the Bimlipatam river and thence to Itchapoor, amounting to Rs. 90,973-7-6, and observing that application will be made to the Commander-in-Chief for the services of three Europeans for employment on this line of road, and that an officer will be appointed to superintend the work. Considering the survey of the ground between Soobaram and the Bimlipatam river, as well as the estimate for the repair of that portion, made by Lieutenant Magrath, to be very creditable to that officer.	10th April	12th April, 2.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 2.
Do.—Declining to sanction the construction of a road from Bellary to Ramanamully and another from Hospet towards the same point until the question of compensation to the Soondoor Rajah for the land required for the road is adjusted. On this point the attention of the Board of Revenue was drawn to the sentiments already recorded by Government in Minutes of Consultation, dated 3rd August 1852.	—	8.	
Do.—With the exception of the proposed estimate for repairing two village wells in Kurnool, sanctioning the others for the repair and construction of Civil buildings amounting to Rs. 1,564-15-0. Observing that the Board have not furnished the information called for on a former occasion upon their application for the construction of a well in the village of Escapilly in Kurnool; directing that they will now submit this information, pending which, deferring to pass orders on the estimate from Kurnool excluded from the present sanction.	—	10.	
Do.—Considering the report of the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, of his inspection of the works in progress in Bellary for the relief of the poorer class to be very favourable. Noticing with regret the irregular payment of the coolies working under Native superintendence, and observing that the attention of the Collector must be immediately given to prevent a continuance of this defect; also that the Commander-in-Chief has placed at the disposal of the Collector the services of four officers besides one in lieu of Captain O'Grady to superintend the road work, and that His Excellency will now be requested to furnish if possible the complement of Overseers which the Civil Engineer states are required on the works.	—	12.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 2.

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Observing that the application of the Collector of Coimbatore for Rs. 10,000 for road repairs is not accompanied with that full explanation which should have been furnished. As the advances however are stated to have been already made, sanctioning the disbursement, and desiring that in submitting similar applications hereafter the fullest information may be afforded, and that the Collector will await instead of anticipating approval as at present; also that he will supply the deficiencies noticed.	—	12th April, 18.	
Do.—Recording the views of Government on the letter from the Government of India requiring, in adoption of a plan suggested by the Honourable Court for the execution of public works, that a statement be furnished annually from this Presidency of the new works which Government may decide upon undertaking, and communicating to the Board of Public Works the papers from the Government of India on this subject for their guidance, with a request that they will lay down a plan for carrying out the orders of the Government of India, and submit it for the consideration of this Government; also requesting the attention of the Board to the second report of the Commissioners on Public Works for the preparation of an annual financial estimate or budget for the Public Works to be executed in each year, and desiring that the Military Board and Superintendent of Roads will similary place before Government the plans they may respectively suggest for carrying out the orders of the Government of India.	13th April	21st April, 2.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate submitted by the Military Board for certain repairs to the Land Custom House buildings, amounting to Rupees 1,124-7-10, on the understanding that the Collector of Madras concurs in the necessity of these repairs.	13th „	5.	
Do.—Observing that under the orders of Government, dated 24th December last, communicating the sanction of the Supreme Government for the extension to this Presidency of the Bengal rule respecting travelling allowance to the subordinates of the Department of Public Works, it is competent to the Superintendent of Roads to grant the allowance recommended by him to the Overseers of his department without special sanction from Government.	19th „	15.	
Do.—Under the opinion expressed by the Superintendent of Roads, sanctioning the construction of a bridge across the Lower Coleroon annicut as proposed by Major Lawford at the estimated cost of Rs. 80,000.	—	21.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 10.
Do.—Observing that some explanation is required for the delay which has occurred in the submission of the bill for the emergent expenditure stated to have been incurred so far back as 1848 for two temporary bridges at Ootacamund erected for use, while others were under construction, and desiring to be informed whether there are any other bills for that year not yet submitted. With the exception of the charge for these works, sanctioning the remaining bills for roads and bridges in Coimbatore amounting to Rs. 5,047-2-11.	—	23.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the annual expenditure of Rs. 1,300 solicited by the Superintendent of Roads for keeping in repair the portion of the road No. 13 between Naggery and Kirkumbady, a distance of 26 miles on the direct Cuddapah line.	—	21st April, 25.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 4.
Do.—The Chief Engineer in his Minute of the 30th September last having stated that "he considers the question of low-speed railways to be of the very greatest importance to India," and therefore not confined to the Madras Presidency only, and that "it seems to him necessary that the subject should be as fully discussed as possible," resolving to forward that Minute to the Government of India together with the letter from the Board of Public Works transmitting it, and likewise copies of the Minutes that have been recorded upon the subject by the Members of Government; meanwhile authorizing the Board to have prepared a plan and estimate of a low-speed railway, selecting such a line as may seem to them most likely to promise favourable results and which will not in any degree clash with the Madras Railway or any of its branches. Considering the line from Cuddalore to the Salem frontier not well adapted to such an experiment, and desiring that the Board will furnish plans and estimates of the line that they may select, obtained from the actual survey of the locality through which it is to pass with estimates of the expense of working, of the traffic in goods and passengers that may be relied upon, and the returns to be expected. Resolving to communicate to the Government of India Colonel Cotton's project for improving the means of internal communication by means of canals as there is an intimate connection between the two subjects and as they have been blended together in the discussions upon them, so that the same Minutes treat of both.	24th April	2nd May, 9.	Do., p. 10.
Do.—Forwarding to the Superintendent of Roads a letter from the Military Auditor-General reporting upon the claim of Lieutenant Barber for travelling allowances, and observes that, that officer's report prevents any travelling allowance being passed to Lieutenant Barber, but that Government has noticed the alacrity with which he joined his appointment in the Road department	24th "	14.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bills of ordinary and emergent expenditure in the district of Masulipatam, amounting to Rs. 16,934-3-11, and requesting the particular attention of the Board to the small amount of work performed in that district.	27th "	19.	
Do.—As Government are anxious to secure at an early a period as possible the important benefits of one good communication with the district of Cuddapah, sanctioning the estimate amounting, exclusion of the advance already authorized by Minutes of Consultation, dated 9th February 1854, to Rupees 20,698-2-6 for constructing part of trunk road No. 11 between Kulloor and Culcudda.	27th "	21.	Do., p. 10.

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the estimate submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for constructing portions of trunk road No. 6 between Goomidipoondy and Covoor, amounting to Rs. 68,812-13-9.	27th April	2nd May, 27.	
Do.—With reference to the authority granted to the Superintendent of Roads for commencing the improvements to the northern trunk road as a means of giving employment to the people in that part of the country, sanctioning the estimate now submitted by the Superintendent for the construction in part of the road between Covoor and the Moodoogenda river, north of Ongole, amounting, inclusive of an advance of Rs. 10,000 sanctioned under date the 9th February 1854, to Rupees 1,17,112-12-1.	—	32.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 8.
Do.—Observing that Lieutenant Hamilton, having quitted his station without leave, must take the consequences of such an act, whatever they may be, and that the Board of Revenue have not stated where Lieutenant Hamilton is at present. Concurring in opinion with the Board that the Civil Engineer should have reported the departure of that officer from the division.	—	36.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 39.
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rupees 7,200 for the construction of fifty ferry boats for crossing the Godavery channels in the Masulipatam district, and desiring to be informed how it is intended to work these boats, whether by boatmen to be employed at the public expense, or by the villagers, or by renting out the ferries, what is to be the extent and cost of the establishment, and whether the remuneration is to be in land or money. Considering it preferable to construct timber bridges in place of ferries at many of these channels, and desiring that the Civil Engineer will consider whether this cannot be accomplished at no very great increase of expense.	—	38.	
Do.—Passing orders on a letter from the Honourable Court, dated 22nd March 1854, No. 13, communicating their views on the subject of the memorial from Mr. J. D. Bourdillon and Major G. Balfour, late Commissioners, Public Works.	—	41.	
Do.—Under the explanation given by the Board of Public Works as to the necessity of extending the salt platform of the Madras Cotaurs in a direction different from that at first intended, and of enlarging it beyond the extent originally contemplated, sanctioning the difference between the revised estimate now submitted and that already sanctioned amounting to Rs. 4,213-10-2.	5th May	9th May, 6.	
Do.—Under the opinion expressed by the Consulting Engineer for Railways, sanctioning the estimate submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for the construction of part of trunk road No. 11 between Bellary and Codairy, amounting to Rs. 57,050-12-1, and observing that the bridging of Pennaur may be deferred to a future date. But directing that the subject be brought before Government so soon as the road is well advanced.	6th „	10.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning for a further period of three years the expenditure required to maintain in repair the portion of trunk road No. 5 between Waliaur and Ponany in Malabar amounting to Rs. 7,100. Noticing with satisfaction the favourable report now made of this road and of the increase of cart traffic, and desiring that a plan and estimate of the cost of a bridge at Tirtola may be submitted at an early date.	13th May	16th May, 4.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 2.
Do.—Observing that Government is desirous of affording every facility to the late Public Works Commissioners for obtaining information to enable them to prepare the explanation called for by the Honourable Court, and that the objects in view would be readily attained by the Commissioners intimating the particular points to which they purpose to direct their attention. Suggesting that Major Balfour should state what these subjects may be in order that the records relating thereto may be placed at his disposal, and trusting that the Commissioners will confine their further proceedings to such special matters as they may consider demand their explanations, and that an early reply may be made to the Honourable Court's observations, as it would appear that the reform of the Public Works Department and the consideration of their reports are to be deferred till the receipt of these explanations.	17th „	23rd May, 2.	22nd Nov. 1854, 16.
Do.—Sanctioning the construction of a road from Goodoor to Ootkoor in Cuddapah, a distance of 56 miles, with a further sum of Rs. 9,000 for nine miles of difficult ground, also the completion of the back-water communication from Kistnapatam to within six miles to Goodoor, and leaving it for future consideration whether the lines to Kottapatam and Kistnapatam should be constructed or not. Observing that the establishment of a Salt depôt at Goodoor is matter for future consideration as at present informed, Government do not consider that the establishment of a depôt only 24 miles inland would have any sensible effect on the sales or price. If however it be hereafter thought advisable to establish a Salt depôt at Goodoor, observing that a portion of the establishment at Kistnapatam might be transferred to Goodoor. Desiring the Board to call for estimates for this work and submit them for sanction as soon as convenient, and observing that the officers required for these works will be appointed as soon as circumstances permit.	20th „	10.	
Do.—Regretting that the number of officers absent from the 27th Regiment, Native Infantry, precludes the services of Ensign Mecham being made available in the Public Works Department, and as Ensign Palmer of the 4th Regiment, Native Infantry, the officer referred to by Mr. Maltby, Collector of Canara, for superintending the Munzerabad road, has been appointed to the superintendence of the roads in Vizagapatam, requesting that Mr. Maltby will name some other officer for the duty required.	20th „	12.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the bills submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for the construction and repair of trunk roads Nos. 1, 8 and 9, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 44,480–11–4.	20th May	23rd May, 14.	
Do.—Under the representation made by the Superintendent of Roads as to the responsible nature of the duties entrusted to Mr. Addis and the satisfactory manner in which he performs them, considering him entitled to the proposed addition of Rs. 100 to his salary and sanctioning it accordingly from the 1st instant.	20th "	16.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rupees 2,235–9–0 for altering a portion of the Erode and Caroor road between the village of Mulliapollium and the Noyel river in Coimbatore.	24th April	30th May, 2.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Do.—Enumerating the several reports that are still due from the Board of Public Works, and observing that the Board have not replied to the order of Government, dated 14th March last, respecting the Civil Engineers' reports upon important works, and to which their attention has been subsequently called. Desiring that they will expedite these remarks and specify a time within which they may be able to submit them.	27th May	7.	10th Aug. 1854, 11, p. 1.
Do.—Forwarding to the Board of Public Works the explanation of the Superintendent of Roads on the subject of the bridge constructed by his department over the Vuddavaur channel, with a request that they will obtain from the Civil Engineer of the 6th Division the returns and information required, together with that officer's observations on the necessity of enlarging the waterway.	29th "	11.	9th Jan. 1855, 1.
Do.—Sanctioning the charges incurred in the several districts during the year 1852 on account of repair of roads and bridges under the discretionary authority vested in Collectors, amounting to Rupees 9,156–0–1. Observing that in Masulipatam where complaints have been made of the state of the roads, but little more than one-half of the small sum allotted to that district was expended during the year, that by the late orders of Government a much larger discretionary amount has been placed at the disposal of the Collectors, and trusting that, with these increased means, no endeavours will be spared to improve the internal communications of their district.	29th "	13.	
Do.—Observing that Government can only sanction a sum of Rs. 2,000 for a new travellers' bungalow at Bezorah in addition to the value of the materials which the old building may realize when it is dismantled, as the orders of the Honourable Court limiting the expenditure on bungalow to this amount are so strict. Observing that there are several items in the estimate which are susceptible of reduction, and desiring that the Board of Revenue will consider the subject and modify their application accordingly.	29th "	15.	

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Minute of —. Considering the great increase in the number of carts introduced into the country, stated in Lieutenant Magrath's report for April last to be in consequence of the road work in progress between Ankapilly and Toonee, to afford a very satisfactory evidence of the utility of these roads, and forwarding paragraph 4 of Lieutenant Marshall's report to the Collector of Nellore with a view of his requiring from the zemindar of Vencatagherry reasonable assistance to the officers of Government while employed in effecting improvements to the roads within the limits of his zemindary; trusting that every exertion will be made to complete before the monsoon the Coorambahully bridge referred to in paragraph 2 of Lieutenant Chauncey's Diary.	29th May	30th May, 17.	
Do.—Under the opinion expressed by the Consulting Engineer for Railways, sanctioning the disbursement of Rs. 2,400 recommended by the Board of Revenue for tracing a pass from Cuddapahnuttum to Gooriattum.	29th "	19.	
Do.—Under the circumstances noticed, sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rs. 1,34,020-12-0 for the construction in part of trunk road No. 7 from the Moodigondy river to the Hyderabad frontier at Pondigue, being a distance of 91 miles. Approving of Lieutenant Barber and Assistant Supervisor Arnold being placed in charge of the work, the latter on the increased allowances recommended in his favour, and resolving that application be made to the Military Department for the services of three more European Overseers being placed at the disposal of the Superintendent of Roads including Sergeant George Lovejoy of the Artillery at Kamptee. Desiring that the Superintendent of Roads will furnish a memorandum of the present state of the four lac fund, showing the works now in progress with the amount of the estimate sanctioned for each, the actual expenditure and the residue out of the estimates, as well as the amount still left available out of the four lacs; stating at the same time the probable period that it will take under his arrangements to bring the several works to completion.	5th June	6th June, 8.	
Do.—Under the authority of the Government of India, sanctioning the estimate submitted by the Board of Public Works for the formation of a new road between Saint Thomas' Mount and Poonamallee in Chingleput, amounting to Rs. 16,484-11-11.	—	14.	
Do.—Observing that the sanction given in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 2nd December 1851, No. 353, was for the salary of an officer for nine months at Rs. 150 a month to superintend the construction of certain roads in Canara; that Lieutenant Thornton was not therefore authorized to draw the salary for a longer period, and that Government do not perceive on what grounds the Collector passed such allowance to him. Desiring the Board of Revenue to submit the bills of actual expenditure on these works, and to state whether the estimates have or have not been exceeded, and whether the	12th June	13th June, 12.	

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works were fully completed, and on inspection have been reported to be well and efficiently executed. Observing that on receiving the information Government will be in a position to pass orders on the present application.			
Minute of—. Requesting that the Provincial Commander-in-Chief will place again the services of Lieutenant Tyrrell at the disposal of Government. Observing that Government is aware that Lieutenant Tyrrell has been demanded for regimental duty, but looking to the importance which the Home Government attach to the investigation of the subject of subsidiary railways, and as no other qualified officer is available, Government has determined to employ him immediately under the orders of the Board of Public Works.	12th June	13th June, 18.	
Do.—Observing that the report from the Superintendent of Roads on trunk road No. 11 from Chittoor to Cuddapah does not call for any particular notice, and that the line marked out by Mr. Addis appears to have been very judiciously selected. Observing that the line of trunk road under notice runs generally at short distances from villages on either side of its course, with which therefore it may at once be connected by cross communications, and desiring that the Board of Public Works will call upon the Collectors of North Arcot and Cuddapah to adopt the necessary measures to this end, and observing that Government will be prepared to sanction any small sums that may be required for the purpose in addition to the increased annual discretionary grants already at the disposal of those officers.	—	22.	9th Jan. 1855, 1. p. 9.
Do.—Communicated to the Military Department, for the purpose of being notified in a Government Order, the services of Captain Anderson and Lieutenant Johnson having placed at the disposal of the Superintendent of Roads.	—	25.	
Do.—Observing that the opinions of the College Board and Board of Revenue were very adverse to the arrangement proposed by Dr. Balfour for the removal of the Collector's cutcherry to the present College, and that the Collector of Madras himself showed there were obstacles to the arrangement which could not be easily overcome. Under these circumstances, observing that Government, in their order of the 29th October 1853, intended it to be understood that the project should be abandoned.	—	20th June, 6.	
Do.—Confirming the sanction granted for the construction of certain roads, &c., in Bellary, and observing that the Collector of Bellary, in his letter of the 1st April, states that the hire given to the labourers is not more than the ordinary rates of the district and no more than sufficient for their subsistence, and that Government are anxiously looking for reports of the season from Bellary up to the present month, and will only repeat their expectation that the expenditure having for its object the employment of the poor, will be discontinued as early as possible.	—	8.	

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Minute of —. Under the circumstances noticed, passing the amount requiring sanction out of the bills of expenditure upon roads and bridges in Coimbatore for 1852, viz., Rs. 150.	—	20th June, 14.	
Do.—Sanctioning the contingent bills submitted by the Superintendent of Roads amounting to Rupees 857-10-8.	22nd June,	27th June, 4.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimates for the Kotoor and Shengoondy road for a bridge over a navigable surplus channel near Negapatam, and for two bridges on the Tanjore and Poodoocottah road, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 11,217-10-11; observing that Government entertain no doubt that the proposed improvement of the road from Trivaloor to Tritrapoondy, and the new road between Aumeapettah and Papanassum are very desirable, but as the estimates for them amounting to Rs. 14,000 and 42,165-4-0, respectively, require the sanction of the Government of India, desiring that they may be included in the annual budget for Public Works for the current year for submission to that authority.	26th „	8.	
Do.—Sanctioning the disbursements recommended by the Board of Revenue for the construction of a road from Bellary to Ramanamully and from Yettenhutty to Bavahully, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 7,589-12-0; also sanctioning an annual compensation of Rs. 75-15-5, being made to the Soondoor Rajah for the cultivated land which may be taken up for the road, and desiring that the Board will instruct the Collector to ascertain whether the Rajah may not be disposed to accept a fair sum once for all instead of the small annual compensation now authorized.	—	15.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bill from the Acting Superintendent of the American Mission Press for pressing and stiff covering 241 copies of the general report of the Road department, amounting to Rs 38-14-0.	—	20.	
Do.—Before passing orders on the recommendation of the Board of Public Works for the construction of public choultries at Avenashy and Caroor in the Coimbatore district, each at an estimated expense of Rs. 3,155-11-0, desiring to be informed whether there are any available chuttrum funds in deposit wherefrom to meet the proposed disbursement, and observing that the surplus chuttrum funds of Coimbatore were reported by the Board in December 1850 to have amounted to Rs. 59,000, and that pursuant to a recommendation subsequently made, Government authorized the disbursement of Rs. 39,423 from these funds in the repair of 1,200 miles of district roads, in the planting of topes and in the construction of three chuttrums. Desiring that the Board will now report what has been done on this authority and what is the present state of the chuttrum funds, and if choultries are requisite at the places now named, the reason of their not being included in the recommendations of the Collectors for the disposal of the funds in 1850 and 1851.	30th June,	4th July, 2.	

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Minute of —. Observing that the project for conveying water to the town of Madura, although sanctioned in September 1851, is still in abeyance for want, as it is stated in the remarks of the progress report of that district of an officer to carry it into execution. Desiring the Board of Revenue to take the matter into early consideration and make some arrangement whereby the services of an Assistant Engineer or an Executive officer may be placed at Captain Horsley's disposal for executing this work; also calling the Board's attention to the progress report for the district of North Arcot, and noticing the several works therein shown to have been long sanctioned, and not yet completed.	3rd July	4th July, 6.	
Do.—Noticing the statements submitted by the Superintendent of Roads of the state of the four lac fund to the 1st May 1854, and observing that there appears to be a sum of Rs. 4,23,508, which, though appropriated for works sanctioned, will not be required for actual disbursement till after the 1st May 1855, when another four lacs will be available, and that thus it is open to Government to sanction further estimates for works to be commenced in the official year of 1855-56 or after 1st May next to the extent of the balance of four lacs that will remain after providing for cost of Road department establishment and annual and ordinary repairs.	—	9.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 26.
Do.—Under the authority of the Government of India, sanctioning the estimate for repairing and improving the road from Trichinopoly to the Neilgherries between Caroor and Metapollium in the district of Coimbatore, amounting to Rs. 12,074-9-0, also authorizing an annual grant of Rs. 25 a mile, or Rs. 2,225 for the whole distance, for the due maintenance of the road in repair after its completion.	—	13.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 14.
Do.—Sanctioning the application of the Collector of Canara for an increase to the sum allowed for maintaining in repair the Coompta and Dharwar road from Rs. 3,822 to Rs. 11,300 per annum. Approving of the further proposition of the Collector to establish another toll-bar at Moondagode, the frontier station of the road, and, under the provisions of Act No. VIII of 1851, sanctioning it as a temporary measure, and desiring that the same be proclaimed in the district and a notification containing all particulars with a translation in the Vernacular language be furnished for publication in the Official Gazette. In the establishment of this toll-bar, desiring that the Collector's attention may be specially directed to the observations of Government recorded in paragraph 6 of Minutes of Consultation, dated 28th July 1853.	10th July	11th July, 6.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimates for the repair and improvement of roads in the districts of Madura and Tinnevelly, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 20,717-0-7. Observing that the annual discretionary allowance placed at the disposal of Collectors, and which in these two districts was lately augmented from Rs. 700 and 450 to Rs. 1,500 each, is	10th "	8.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.* intended to provide for petty repairs and improvements in the district communications. Requesting therefore that, in submitting similar estimates in future, the Board will exclude such petty items as refer to works which should more properly be left to be executed by the Collectors out of the funds placed in their hands expressly for those objects.		1854.	
Minute of—. Desiring the immediate and serious consideration of the Board of Public Works to the repeated orders they have received regarding the early submission of the returns of the Civil Engineers of important works which they have apparently so inexcusably disregarded hitherto. Observing that the Board must be aware that Government attach importance to the publication of these reports, and that one object in their early publication is entirely defeated by this unaccountable delay; also that the reports for 1854 are at this date properly due, and yet those for the three previous years have not been sent in.	—	11th July, 21.	18th Aug. 1854, 11.
Do.—Sanctioning the bills submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for work performed on trunk roads, amounting to Rs. 2,49,288–13–1, and observing that Government has excluded the gratuities given to the heirs of three coolies who were accidentally killed while working in the Puckerry Mallay Quarry on the 19th August 1852, as the disbursement though appropriate for the occasion does not strictly appertain to the road expenditure. Resolving therefore to grant special sanction for the charge amounting to Rs. 60, and authority for writing off to profit and loss the sum stated to have been robbed from Overseer Lawrence amounting to Rs. 389.	15th July	18th July, 6.	
Do.—Observing that Lieutenant Barber does not hold a substantive appointment in the Road department; that he is only temporarily attached to it as an Assistant for employment on the northern trunk road, and the allowance of Rs. 150 per mensem for superintendence is disbursed to him from the amount of the estimate for that work; that his case is therefore precisely similar to that of Lieutenant Francis, and that the order of Government of the 25th January last, No. 36, should be considered applicable to Lieutenant Barber and other officers in the same position.	15th ,,	10.	
Do.—Observing that in their letter of the 24th November 1853, the Government of India sanctioned the extension of the provisions of G.O.G.G. No. 588 of 1853 to the Overseers and Assistant Overseers in the Madras Presidency and likewise to Assistant Supervisors or others of any higher grade that may be established, and authorized the grant to those classes of subordinates when employed on "inspection of work" as well as when engaged in surveying and levelling of the travelling allowance sanctioned by the above-mentioned General Order, that it does not appear that it was intended, nor was it so proposed by this Government, to extend the provisions	17th ,,	16.	

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of the prior order of the 8th August 1851, nor is Government aware that the extension of that order or any portion of it is called for. Desiring the Board of Public Works to report on this point, and state to what extent the subordinate grades under their orders would be effected thereby; also that Military Board will report how far the order would be applicable to Overseers and others employed in these departments. Observing that Government is favourable to the extensions to the subordinate grades connected with the Public Works in this Presidency, of the advantages enjoyed by similar grades in the other presidencies, and is desirous that any disadvantages under which they labour may be clearly and fully pointed out.			
Minute of —. Communicated to the Military Department, for the purpose of being notified in a General Order, the appointment of Ensign Hay in the Road department.	—	18th July, 19.	
Do.—Observing that Government is fully alive to the inconvenience of withdrawing from their regiments so many officers as have been lately and are still employed in the Public Works and Road departments, but that the state of the season demanding greatly increased expenditure in Public Works for which the Government were not prepared with superintendence has been the cause of this unusual draft on the Military Department during the current year; also that the same cause has operated to enlarge the calls for the temporary services of non-commissioned officers and privates chiefly to ensure regular payments to the people employed; that the presser on this account is not expected to be permanent, and that Government will bear in mind the observations of the Commander-in-Chief on this point. With respect to the suggestion of the Commander-in-Chief that it be recommended to the Honourable Court that an agumentation be made to the European non-commissioned ranks of the Corps of Sappers and Miners so that the duties now performed by men from the line may be conducted by a selected class of persons. Observing that the entire subject of improving and providing for the subordinate officers in these departments has been frequently brought to the notice of the Home Government and is now, it is believed, under their consideration.	—	21.	
Do.—Under the opinion expressed by the Accountant-General, sanctioning the arrangement suggested by the Superintendent of Roads in the mode of preparing the accounts of his department, and desiring that the same be carried into effect and the necessary instructions issued to Collectors and others.	20th July	25th July, 2.	
Do.—Observing that under any circumstances the proposed line of road by the Topoor Pass will, as explained by the Collector of Salem and by the Superintendent of Roads, be an important district road, and that as such it should be properly constructed and maintained in repair; resolving therefore to authorize the Superintendent of Roads to	22nd „	4.	

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prepare and submit the estimates proposed by him for this line in his letter of the 23rd May last.			
Minute of —. With reference to the orders of the Honourable Court regarding the construction of an ordinary road from Cuddalore to the boundary of the Salem district and the formation of a metalled road with bridges and drains complete from Masulipatam to the frontier of the Nizam's Dominions, directing that the Board of Public Works will make early arrangements for carrying out both these objects, and as the Honourable Court are favourably inclined to the project of a low-speed railway on this line, to report with reference to the objections urged in Minutes of Consultation, dated 26th September, 1853, to this description of communication on this particular locality, whether on further consideration they still recommend a tramway for an ordinary road, and if so, to proceed at once to estimate the cost, presuming that Captain Orr will be enabled to spare one of the officers under his orders to survey the line and frame an estimate of the cost of a cheap tramway such as Colonel Cotton has advocated.	24th July	25th July, 8.	
Do.—Noticing the report of the Agent at Kurnool regarding the extent of land, population and revenue of the village of Eskapilly, and sanctioning on certain terms the estimate submitted with the Board's letter of the 1st July 1852 for the construction of a well in that village, amounting to Rs. 370; also sanctioning the estimate of Rs. 282-15-0 for repairing two village wells in Kurnool referred to in the Board's letter of the 16th March last. Observing that the present cases are not to be quoted as precedents on future occasions, that Government regards them as exceptional instances, and that such grants should not be recommended by the Board unless peculiar and very special grounds exist for the proceeding.	24th "	10.	
Do.—Lamenting the continued failure of the rains in the Bellary district and the necessity of the continued employment of the ryots, and observing that if unhappily the drought should continue and it be still necessary largely to employ the people, Government, having full confidence in the judgment of the Collector, must leave it to his discretion to determine the extent of the expenditure to be incurred in giving employment on useful public works to the needy population of his district. Considering the arrangements hitherto made by Mr. Pelly to have been judicious, and to have answered the objects in view, and desiring that a weekly report of the state of the Bellary district be furnished to Government.	—	19.	23rd Aug. 1854, 12.
Do.—Observing that Government will expect to receive hereafter Captain Heathorn's report for the month of June with the observations of the Superintendent after he has inspected the southern road and communicated with Lieutenant Tireman and Francis; that Government has had occasion before	31st July	1st Aug., 2.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.* this to call the attention of the Collector of Nellore to the complaints of the officers in charge of the northern road of the want of aid from the zemindar of Vencatagherry, and that the zemindar must be required to aid the officers of Government while employed within the limits of his zemindary, which is so greatly benefited by the formation of roads in it at the expense of Government and to which he might justly be called upon to contribute. Forwarding to the Collector of Nellore paragraph 6 of Lieutenant Marshall's report for June with a request that he will state what he may do to remedy the inconvenience therein complained of.		1854.	
Minute of —. Under circumstances noticed, desiring that the Board of Public Works will modify the tabular statement forwarded with their letter of the 10th instant so as to provide for the four Ordnance Artificers supplied to Lieutenant Tyrrell for employment on the survey of the low-speed railway, a monthly allowance inclusive of Military pay of Rs. 79–0–8 to each, being of the same amount as the pay and allowances of a Sub-Assistant Surveyor.	—	1st Aug., 8.	
Do.—Animadverting on the delay which the Board of Public Works has permitted to take place in the submission of the Civil Engineer's reports subsequent to 1850, and hoping that the Board will be able soon to obtain from Lieutenant Walker, the present Civil Engineer of the 3rd Division, the returns which Major Henderson neglected to furnish; desiring that the Board will convey to that officer the disapprobation of Government on this occasion, and will furnish the reports for 1851 and 1852 soon, and make arrangements for the early submission of those for 1853. Observing that the Agent in Kurnool will be called upon to furnish forthwith his road report for 1853, and that the correspondence which has passed between Government and the Board on this subject will be immediately reported to the Honourable Court with the view of explaining the cause of the delay in placing these returns before them.	—	10.	10th Aug., 1854, 11.
Do.—The estimate of Rs. 6,450–4–0 for emergent repairs to a portion of trunk road No. 6 between Yernagoodem and Tooney, sanctioned, and the Superintendent of Roads authorized to adjust the expenditure in his accounts as a charge on the four lac fund for 1855–56.	5th Aug.	8th Aug., 2.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bills submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for work executed on trunk roads Nos. 6, 9 and 11, amounting to Rs. 38,158–12–8.	10th „	15th Aug., 2.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bill for Rs. 64–5–3, the price of three tarpaulins supplied by the Commissary of Ordnance at Vizagapatam on account of the Koinjurah and Sohumpore road.	10th „	8.	
Do.—Communicating to the Board of Public Works letter from the Government of India sanctioning the construction of three lines of road in the Ganjam and Vizagapatam districts, amounting to Rs. 87,385–14–1, and regretting the prospect held	—	14.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 20.

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COUNCIL—*cont.* out of great delay in the submission of the annual statement of Public Works for the current year. Requesting their special attention to the second paragraph and observes that no more estimates are under the instructions of the Government of India to be submitted, and that it will be the duty of the Board therefore, without any delay, to direct their whole exertions to the preparation of the annual budget in order that it may be forwarded to the Government of India. Considering it desirable that the Board should give a detailed statement in explanation of the causes which have led to the delay in procuring this estimate.		1854.	
Minute of —. Reviewing the report of the Road department for the year 1853–54 as to the extent of work performed and of that in progress, the general condition of the several lines, and the extent of traffic now using them, and considering that great credit is due to Captain Johnston for his able management of the department and for the successful result of his labours; noticing with satisfaction the favourable mention made by that officer of the services of Lieutenants Chauncy, Tireman, Francis, Marshall, Magrath and Barber, and Mr. Addis and of the Overseers generally.	19th Aug.	22nd Aug., 4.	
Do.—Calling for certain information in regard to the necessity at the present time of undertaking the repair of the road from Trivalloor to Coratoor on the old line to Cuddapah, and observing that, should the proposition be approved, orders will be issued for including the amount of the estimate in the annual budget required for transmission to the Government of India.	19th „	6.	
Do.—Noticing with regret the very unfavourable report on the road operations in the Soopah talook of North Canara, and sanctioning the estimate of Rs. 5,000 for the Hullial and Tinny ghaut line, relying on Lieutenant Walker to make such arrangements as will secure the proper execution of the work. Desiring that the Board will name the officer selected for these operations, that the appointment may be confirmed, and that they will furnish Government with Lieutenant Walker's further report on Assistant Surveyor Beahen's conduct.	19th „	8.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 25.
Do.—Observing that Government have no objection to the estimate for a first-class road from Gairsappa to the summit of the Kodkerry ghaut in Canara being included in the list of works to be laid before the Government of India for sanction if the Board consider its early execution of much importance, but that, under the recent orders of that Government, they cannot anticipate that sanction. Considering the conversion of the present bullock track into a good cart road to be very desirable particularly as the Commissioner in Mysore has placed at Lieutenant Walker's disposal the means of continuing the line from Kodkerry to the open country of Mysore.	19th „	12.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the substitution of road dams for the Chinniempollem and Caroomuttemputty bridges, originally estimated for, on trunk road No. 5, between Avenashy and Coimbatore, and granting authority for the balance of the estimated amount, if any remain, being expended in metalling the road; also sanctioning the appropriation of the saving of Rs. 1,405-5-11 effected in the alteration and improvement of the Chinnanowkurry bridge to the construction of stone road drains under the assurance given by the Collector that these arrangements will efficiently complete the repairs of this portion of the road.	19th Aug.	22nd Aug., 14.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate for the construction of a masonry bridge of five arches each of 56-feet span over the Iritty river on the Pariambady road, and desiring that the amount, viz., Rs. 29,923-5-9, be charged as proposed to the four lac fund for 1855-56. Observing that Government will take an early opportunity of appointing an officer to the special charge of the bridge on a salary of Rs. 150 per mensem for 18 months, and that the proposition for the levy of a toll will come under consideration when the Collector is able to report the bridge is nearly completed, and is about to be opened for traffic.	19th „	16.	19th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 7.
Do.—Observing that it is not desirable that the Chief Engineer should extend his tour beyond what is requisite to admit of his fully carrying out the instructions issued in the Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 13th June last, and considering it advisable that the Chief Engineer should resume his duties at the Revenue and Military Boards as soon as practicable. Observing that the orders of the 15th instant authorize his travelling dawk to the Presidency from the point where his inspections may terminate.	19th „	20.	
Do.—Directing that the estimate of Rs. 15,177 for the reconstruction of that portion of the Trichinopoly and Dindigul road which is situated within the Trichinopoly district be included in the annual statement of works required to be laid before Government at the earliest possible date for transmission to the Government of India. Observing that it would be desirable to make provision for keeping the road in thorough repair.	21st „	22.	
Do.—Desiring the Board of Revenue to enter the project for constructing a teakwood bridge on masonry piers and abutments across the Kalingal river on the high coast southern road, between Pondicherry and Cuddalore at an estimated expenditure on the part of the English Government of Rs. 14,175, in the list of works for 1854-55, to be submitted for the sanction of the Government of India. Observing that it will be explained the work is to be executed by the officers of the French Government which bears half the cost, and desiring the Board to instruct the Collector of South Arcot to intimate to the Government of Pondicherry that Government will solicit the authority of the Government of India for the disbursement of the half share	—	24.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.* of the estimate which the Madras Government are ready to undertake, but which is beyond the limit of their authority at once to sanction. Desiring the Collector of South Arcot to stipulate with the French Government for the free use of the bridge on all occasions and that no toll be at any time exacted from passengers using it without the concurrence of the British Government.		1854.	
Minute of —. Forwarding to the Superintendent of Roads letters from the Board of Public Works and Civil Engineer, 6th Division, and requesting, if he sees no objection, to adopt the suggestion of the Civil Engineer for the addition of two side arches to the bridge over the Vuddavaur channel. Concurring with the Board of Revenue that all plans of the Road department for bridges over irrigating and draining channels should be made in communication with the Civil Engineer, and directing that this course may be followed in future, but considering it unnecessary that every case should be referred for the decision of the Board. Observing that where the Superintendent of Roads and the Civil Engineers agree, the interference of the Board is not wanted.	25th Aug.	29th Aug., 5.	
Do.—For reasons stated, declining to sanction the two further bills for marahmut expenditure in Coimbatore in the years 1846 and 1848 until distinctly assured that there are no others of old date requiring to be adjusted in the accounts of that Collectorate.	25th „	7.	
Do.—Requesting information on certain points as to how the Goondlaheummah has been hitherto crossed at its two points of intersection with the Masulipatam and Hyderabad roads, and observing that Government cannot be expected to sanction any expenditure for boats without such information.	25th „	9.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate for two ferry boats required for crossing the Godavery at Nursapoor and Bendamoorlunka in the Rajahmundry district, amounting to Rs. 700.	25th „	11.	
Do.—Approving of the repairs of the road from Tindevanum to Trinomaly in the district of South Arcot, and desiring that the estimate be included in the list of works for execution in the year 1855 to be submitted for the sanction of the Government of India. Calling the attention of the Board to the form of estimate prepared by Captain Ouchterlony, in one column of which is a sketch showing the direction of the proposed road, and observing that this form appears to give in a very concise and convenient shape the information requisite, and that it would be desirable that should be generally adopted in the department. Stating that a copy of it with these observations will be sent to the Superintendent of Roads for his guidance.	25th „	13.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rupees 4,731–5–6 for a road for the Lower Coleroon annicut to Cootullum by which trunk road No. 9 will be connected with Mayaveram and the coast at Tranquebar; also the estimate for the proposed road from Cusbah Tritrapoondy to Kullimode on	25th „	15.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 9.

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
the banks of the Adapaur being Rs. 5,546-6-4, amounting in both cases to Rs. 10,277-11-10. Observing that the separate estimate for the three bridges required to be constructed on the first of the two lines of road now sanctioned should be entered in the Public Works budget for 1855-56.			
Minute of —. Desiring the Board of Public Works to explain why no work of any kind was going forward in the districts of Ganjam and Masulipatam, and very little, if any, done during the quarter under report in Madura, Vizagapatam, Salem and Kurnool. Observing that it would be a desirable improvement, if the general statement prepared by the Board were so far modified as to exhibit, instead of its present details, the total sanctioned amount for each district, the expenditure in the quarter under report, and the balance for work remaining to be executed.	—	29th Aug., 36.	
Do.—Observing that Government were not aware of the existence of the state of distress in the Poolevendla talook now brought to notice by the Sub-Collector in charge; that if the report of the Sub-Collector is correct the Collector should not have applied for leave of absence, nor would he have been permitted temporarily to quit his post, and that he should now at once resume his duties and depute the Sub-Collector or one of his Assistants immediately to that part of the district represented to be so urgently in want of relief. In the meantime under the Sub-Collector's representation, sanctioning the disbursement of a sum not exceeding Rupees 10,000 for the formation of the road from Roychoty to Vaimputy through Poolevendla, and other roads with the object of affording employment to the suffering population.	—	42.	
Do.—Noticing the report of the Collector of Canara regarding the effects of the toll levied upon narrow-wheeled carts using the roads in North Canara by the Dewamany and Arbyle ghauts, and desiring that the Board of Revenue will take into consideration the suggestion of the Collector for providing a means of transport over the Tuddery river to Coompta.	4th Sept.	5th Sept., 7.	
Do.—Sanctioned. The Board of Public Works requested to state what has been done with the materials collected for the Sea Custom House at Ponany which has been dispensed with in consequence of the Ponany river having encroached on the intended site of the building, also what reports have been received hitherto, and what orders passed regarding the abandonment of the project.	7th „	12th Sept., 2.	
Do.—Recording observations and orders upon the reports of the different Collectors on the roads and communications of their respective districts for the year 1853, and directing that the reports and statement be printed for general information. With reference to the large expenditure now sanctioned for roads and to the absolute necessity as recognized by all authorities, that some arrangement should be made by which the due maintenance of the	9th „	11.	

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COUNCIL,—*cont.* roads once formed should be secured. Observing that each Collector should be authorized to entertain a Superintendent of Roads to be employed under his orders, and whose business it will be to attend to the preservation and the proper repairs of all the made roads within the district, and to the construction of new ones; that the salary may be fixed at from Rs. 200 to Rs. 100 a month according to the qualifications of the individuals, the payments being made from the annual discretionary grants at the disposal of the Collectors; and that the proposed Superintendents should submit to the Collectors periodical statements of their work, and the Collector or one of his Assistants required to make an annual inspection of the roads to be duly reported to Government; stating that to carry out this system of efficient supervision of the district roads, Government will sanction an addition to the sum already allotted for expenditure upon internal communications at the discretion of the Collectors.		1854.	
Minute of —. Observing that the time that has elapsed since 1851 and 1852, the period embraced in the reports submitted by the Board of Public Works of important works executed in the several divisions of this Presidency and the slight and cursory character of the Board's Proceedings render it of little avail for Government to notice them in any detail; directing therefore that the reports be printed and circulated to all officers connected with the Public Works Department, together with the Board's Proceedings. Hoping that the reports for 1853 will be speedily submitted and that they will be prepared in a more systematic form than those hitherto furnished, and contain all the information which Government have already called for.	18th Sept.	19th Sept., 10.	
Do.—Remarking on the proposed outlay in additions and repairs to the Civil dispensary at Chicacole, and observing that should the Board of Public Works on further enquiry be satisfied of the necessity of the whole of the estimated expenditure for that building, they will order the proposed improvement to be carried out. With this proviso sanctioning the estimates in question, as also those for building a prison and guard room, and Banghy Tappal moosaferkannah in the Chingleput and Malabar districts, amounting together to Rs. 2,108-11-8.	18th „	12.	
Do.—Under circumstances noticed, sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rs. 1,999-12-10 for restoring the walls of Tranquebar to their former condition, also an annual expenditure of Rs. 200 for maintaining them in repair.	18th „	14.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 38.
Do.—Sanctioning an annual allowance of Rs. 14,950 for trunk roads Nos. 8 and 9.	18th „	16.	
Do.—Observing that the arrangement proposed by the Superintendent of Roads at an expense of but Rs. 804-15-0, appears to meet every object the Military Board had in view in recommending the formation of a separate line of road between Saint	18th „	18.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 12.

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COUNCIL—*cont.* Thomas' Mount and Palaveram, and entirely supersedes the necessity for the heavy outlay which their plan involves. Sanctioning the estimate submitted by Captain Johnston amounting to Rs. 804-15-0, and directing that the work be executed by his department.		1854.	
Minute of —. Observing that Government is disposed to sanction as an experimental measure the proposition for raising a corps of coolies for employment on the roads in Tinnevelly, as being calculated to give at all times a command of the services of a body of men who will be systematically trained to work, and become in process of time skilled in the use of tools.	21st Sept.	26th Sept., 3.	
Do.—Passing orders on the report of the Superintendent of Roads for July last.	22nd „	6.	
Do.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works, and their attention particularly directed to the observations of the Honourable Court.	22nd „	8.	
Do.—Directing that the memorandum from the Chief Engineer and others on Public Works in the Madras Presidency be printed and that copies be sent to the Board of Revenue and to every Collector and Civil Engineer for their opinions regarding those projects proposed which effect their districts and divisions, with any suggestions for the improvement of the country under their charge that they may desire to offer.	28th „	3rd Oct., 4.	
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate for remetalling the first six miles of trunk road No. 6, amounting to Rs. 7,115-10-0.	30th „	8.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 2.
Do.—Remarking on the report submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for the month of August last.	30th „	10.	Do., p. 9.
Do.—Under the circumstances represented in the correspondence from the Collector of Rajahmundry and Commissioner, Northern Circars, regarding the petition from the hereditary ferry men at Rajahmundry appealing against the operations of a Company who run steam and paddle boats on the Godavary, approving of the proposition submitted by the Collector that all interference on the part of Government should be withdrawn from the ferry and that the enam village of Toogoony in the enjoyment of the petitioners should be resumed, providing only for the service of Post office, and concurring with the Commissioner that the ferry men should not be dispossessed of their enam lands too suddenly, but that they be allowed the choice of taking up these lands at a favourable rent for one or two lives, or on a lease for 10 or 15 years. Observing that the Navigation Company should be require[illegible] their part to pay some small tribute for the ferry to preserve to Government the right of the transport and in recognition of the royalty. Approving of the discontinuance of the levy of moturpha from the boatmen.	—	12.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 16.

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Observing that the amount proposed for expenditure in 1854-55 on the Canara roads on the plan proposed by Lieutenant Walker is entered in the present budget, and approving of this course, but observing that, if possible, an officer of the Corps of Engineers should have the supervision of works; that if none such is available, an efficient officer of the line should be deputed to the duty, and desiring that the Board of Revenue will report what arrangement they would propose in this point.	5th Oct.	10th Oct., 2.	
Do.—Noticing the statement of expenditure incurred during the year 1852 upon Public Works of every description, the cost of superintendence and the percentage borne by the latter to the former, and directing that the report and statements be printed for general information together with the important works reported on for 1851 and 1852 by the Civil Engineers.	7th „	6.	20th Oct. 1854, 14.
Do.—Observing that of the Rs. 9,000 sanctioned for the improvement of the direct Cuddapah road, there remains an unexpended balance of Rs. 4,222, and desiring the Civil Engineer of the 2nd Division to continue his improvements by means of the sum in hand, and observing that when it is nearly expended, on receiving a further report of the results, Government will be prepared to make a further grant. In the meantime desiring that the Superintendent of Roads will report the allowance which will be requisite to maintain in its improved condition the road already made.	7th „	8.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 23.
Do.—Appointing Lieutenant Law, an Executive officer in the Canara district, *vice* Lieutenant Babington appointed a Second Assistant Civil Engineer, and approving of Sergeant Harrison being transferred from Bellary to the charge of the Soopah roads in Canara; observing that an officer was appointed on the 19th ultimo in place of Lieutenant Gib resigned, and that an early opportunity will be taken of securing to the department the services of Lieutenant Davis who appears from the report of the Civil Engineer and from his own diaries to have very creditably performed the duties lately entrusted to him.	—	19.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bills for works performed on certain trunk roads amounting to Rs. 42,380-11-10.	28th Sept.	17th Oct., 11.	
Do.—Observing that it is evident from the report of the Collector of Cuddapah, dated 26th September last, that the outlay sanctioned on the 29th August last for the formation of a road from Royachoty to Vempully through Poolevendla is not required for the purpose of affording employment to the suffering population. Cancelling therefore the orders for the disbursement of Rs. 10,000 on that account given in Minutes of Consultation of that date. Regretting that the Sub-Collector in charge, without adequate enquiry into the real state of the talook, should have made the urgent representation regarding the supposed distress contained in his letter to	14th Oct.	15.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.* the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department, dated 17th August, and trusting that Mr. Wedderburn will see the necessity of exercising more caution in future.		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rs. 9,560-8-0 for completing as a first-class road the portion of trunk road No. 11, between Chittoor and Poothalpett, and requesting that the expenditure will be included in the charge on the four lac fund for the official year 1855-56.	14th Oct.	17th Oct., 17.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 2.
Do.—Directing that the memorial of P. Vencatareddy be forwarded to its address and that intimation of its despatch be made to the memorialist.	20th "	24th Oct. 2.	30th Oct. 1854, 15, p. 5.
Do.—Observing that, under the circumstances stated by the Board of Public Works, the repair or rather formation of the road from Ibrampatam to the Hyderabad frontier must be postponed till the survey of the railway now in hand, be completed, if not till the works connected with the Kistna annicut advance towards completion; also that the Board have not consulted the Collector of Masulipatam as to the probability of labour being available for the Ibrampatam road without interfering with the supply for the annicut works, and desiring that the Board, in reporting on the line of railway at present being surveyed, will notice this point which it is obvious it is necessary to have determined in the event of its being decided to substitute a rail road for the ordinary road already sanctioned.	20th "	4.	
Do.—Observing that Government have attentively considered the proposition submitted by the Board of Public Works to spend annually a sum of four lacs of rupees for extending and perfecting the system of internal communications in Bellary and the adjoining province of Kurnool, and that they are unable to concur altogether in the views and recommendations of the Board. Considering it an impolitic and comparatively unprofitable employment of the limited funds and agency at the command of this Government, to devote so large a sum as four lacs of rupees per annum and the services of a corresponding establishment of officers to the works of but two districts. Observing that Government cannot agree with the Board that it is desirable at all times to push forward works at an expenditure far greater than can be afforded with a due consideration of the claims of other districts in the Presidency. Desiring that the Board will report what number of officers and Overseers now employed on these roads, it will be necessary to retain to carry on the works on the reduced scale approved by Government, and that they will name the officers and regulate the establishment each should have under him, as well as the extent of road to be assigned as the charge of each.	27th "	31st Oct., 7.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 17.
Do.—Passing orders on the letter from the Collector of Madras submitting suggestions regarding certain projects of Public Works as regards the districts of Madras and Guntoor.	28th "	12.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute of —. Sanctioning the estimate for constructing a portion of trunk road No. 11, between Culcudda and the foot of the Goolcherroo ghaut, for Rupees 56,697-7-10, to be charged to the four lac fund for the year 1855-56.	30th Oct.	31st Oct., 24.	
Do.—Under circumstances noticed, desiring that the Board of Public Works will recommend at once the addition of maistries they consider necessary to the marahmut establishment in Bellary in view to the authority of the Government of India being obtained, and future references obviated. Observing that it might be left to the Collector to fill up the appointments as he procures duly qualified persons furnished with certificates, and considering the proposed salary for a first-class maistry, viz., Rs. 30, to be inadequate and by no means commensurate with the responsible duties devolving upon this class of agency, which it is important should be rendered respectable and efficient, and observing that the salary of the highest grade should not be less than Rs. 50, that of the lower classes being fixed according to a graduated scale and qualification and good conduct being considered to furnish the best claim to promotion to the higher salaries.	30th "	26.	
Do.—Before passing final orders on the estimates submitted by the Superintendent of Roads for improving trunk road No. 5 from Vaniembady to Bowanny, desiring that Captain Johnston will submit an account of the four lac fund for the year 1855-56, from which the proposed expenditure of Rs. 1,29,132-1-5 is to be disbursed; also that he will, on every future occasion of submitting estimates for sanction, accompany each application with a statement showing the precise state of the four lac fund.	4th Nov.	14th Nov., 4.	N.N.
Do.—Forwarding to the Board of Public Works letter from the Government of India and the despatch from the Honourable Court which accompanied it, with a request that they will, at the earliest practicable period, furnish the statements required by the Government of India together with all the information which it is in their power to give. Observing that some of the most important works are mentioned in the collective memorandum on Public Works prepared by the Committee and forming No. V of the printed selections from the records of the Madras Government, and that the suggestions of the local officers which have been called for in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 28th September last, will furnish data on which to found the statements now called for.	6th "	10.	N.N.
Do.—Sanctioning the charge for 30 copies of the sketch of the Kistna annicut forwarded by the Board of Public Works, amounting to Rs. 24-4-0.	6th "	15.	
Do.—With reference to the application from the Board of Public Works for a sum of Rs. 10,000 for completing certain lines of road already sanctioned and partially executed in the district of South Arcot, observing that these works form Nos. 12, 21 and	8th "	19.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 24.

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COUNCIL—*cont.* 22 in the list of sanctioned works submitted to the Government of India with the Public Works budget; and though Government entertains doubts as to whether it is within their competence to sanction estimates after the budget for the year has been closed, and the estimated expenditure has in a manner been fixed and reported to higher authority, still looking to the unfinished state of the roads in the present instance and the evident necessity of securing the benefit of the outlay already made, it is clear that the works cannot be left unfinished. Sanctioning therefore the amount applied for, viz., Rs. 10,000, for their completion.		1854.	
Minute of —. Under the explanation afforded by the Civil Engineer as to the necessity for the additional estimates for the completion of the new Hoozoor and Talook cutcherries at Bellary, sanctioning the sums applied for amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 1,820-8-9.	—	14th Nov., 30.	
Do.—Directing that the letter from the late Commissioners on Public Works, together with the minute recorded by the Honourable Mr. Thomas, be forwarded to the Honourable Court, and that their permission be requested to print and publish these documents together with other correspondence on the same subject.	—	37.	22nd Nov. 1855, 16, p. 1.
Do.—Observing that Government have no alternative but to authorize the completion of the Beerapairoo bridge in the Nellore district, considering the unfinished state of the work, the amount already expended, and the importance of the line from Cuddapah to the Sea Coast by the Doornala Pass; sanctioning therefore the supplemental estimate submitted for this purpose amounting to Rupees 6,826-10-0, and with reference to the statement of the Board of Revenue that 6,142 cubic yards of earthwork cost Rs. 1,162-11-0. Observing that making every allowance for the reason assigned, viz., the indiscriminate employment of all who applied for work during the scarcity, the amount still seems excessive compared with the quantity of work done, being at the rate of As. 3 the cubic yard, while the ordinary rate of hire for earthwork in Nellore is, it is believed, not more than 9 pice.	16th Nov.	21st Nov., 2.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 25.
Do.—With reference to paragraph 4 of the Superintendent's report for the month of October last, observing that if possible the crossing of the Palaur twice at Vaniembady in so short a space should be avoided, but that Government will be guided by the opinion of the Superintendent, who will submit estimates for the two bridges, referred to in paragraph 5, if the ordinary allowance for improving the road cannot provide for the expenditure and if the Superintendent is satisfied that by this line the road will be best continued through Vaniembady.	18th "	6.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Do.—Sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rupees 210-12-6 for two additional bath-rooms to the soldier's bungalow at Shatanoor, and observing that	24th "	28th Nov., 2.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 35.

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COUNCIL—*cont.* the subject of a new travellers' bungalow at Tranquebar will be considered on the receipt of the orders of the Government of India on a reference made to them regarding expenditure on new works not included in the budget already submitted for 1854–55.		1854.	
Minute of —. Observing that Government do not consider it desirable to sanction the appropriation of the surplus funds of the Vantimamedy and Peddapoor choultries in the manner proposed by the Collector of Rajahmundry, nor do they see the necessity of restoring the Rajahnuggrum choultry for the use of high caste travellers at the expense of the State more especially after the buildings have been abandoned since 1839 as a place of accommodation for the public.	25th Nov.	28th Nov., 10.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 37.
Do.—Sanctioned. Observing that as the improvement of the portion of trunk road No. 5 between Vaniembady and Bowanny on the estimate lately submitted is to be postponed under the orders of Government, dated 4th instant, there will be ample funds available without trenching on the grant for 1856–57 for the bridges now sanctioned and for other emergent works.	—	14.	
Do.—Appointing Mr. Edward Ricketts, an Assistant under the Superintendent of Roads, to be employed on the line from Oolundoorpet to Trichinopoly with a salary of Rs. 250 per mensem.	—	17.	
Do.—Sanctioning the supplemental estimate amounting to Rs 2,707 for the repair of a small portion of road between the Areekistna jungle stream and the boundary of the Salem district represented to have been omitted in the estimate for Rs. 25,000 formerly sanctioned from the four lac fund for the road from Trichinopoly to Salem. Desiring that the work be proceeded with in communication with that officer.	4th Dec.	5th Dec., 5.	
Do.—Looking to the state of the four lac fund as exhibited in the letter from the Superintendent of Roads and to the necessity of reserving a portion of the funds to meet any emergencies that may be expected to arise within the year 1855–56, resolving to postpone for the present. Sanctioning the estimate for improving trunk road No. 5 from Vaniembady to Bowanny, amounting to Rs. 1,29,132–1–5.	4th ,,	7.	
Do.—Observing that Lieutenant Tyrrell has conducted the survey of the line of experimental tramway between Negapatam and Trichinopoly and prepared the estimates for the same with care and attention and with considerable celerity; that Government is inclined to urge the execution of the work as rapidly as possible, provided there is good reason to suppose that the outlay will be justified by the returns; that Lieutenant Tyrrell's plans and estimates will be submitted to Colonel Pears, and, if approved of by him, will be forwarded to the Government of India for the commencement of operations. Considering it essential that decided information should be procured as to the capability of the Porto Novo	—	9.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
works to supply the rails and castings required, and that application will be made hereafter to the Ceylon Government for information as to the supply of "Palay" wood available at Trincomallee for piles, cross-girders, &c.			
Minute of —. Noticing the report on the works executed in the Coimbatore district from the surplus Devastanum and Chuttrum funds, and observing that the exertions of the Collector and his Assistants in the improvement of the communications are very creditable and the results as satisfactory as could be expected from the means at their command.	8th Dec.,	12th Dec. 2.	
Do.—Authorizing the transfer to the Road department of Assistant Overseer C. Roots, and sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rs. 35,280 for the construction of a bridge over the Pennar in Bellary.	9th „	6.	
Do.—Sanctioning the bills amounting to Rupees 37,102–4–3 for work performed on trunk roads Nos. 1 and 10.	9th „	8.	
Do.—With reference to a plan which has occurred to the Collector of Tanjore of a tramway of granite stone to be laid on a masonry foundation between Negapatam and Trichinopoly, desiring that Mr. Forbes will submit a full exposition of his plan together with the necessary estimates, and surveys which will of course be prepared in communication with the Civil Engineer's department.	11th „	10.	
Do.—Issuing orders for the distribution of the remaining copies of the second report of the Commission appointed to enquire into the system of Public Works in the Madras Presidency.	11th „	13.	
Do.—Under the authority now granted by the Government of India, sanctioning certain works included in statement No. 1 submitted with the budget for 1854–55, as being within the sanction limit of Rs. 25,000 now assigned to this Government; also authorizing an advance of Rs. 30,000 to enable the Civil Engineer of the Godavery division to continue such works as are actually in progress and which cannot be delayed pending the sanction of the budget by the Supreme Government, and their reply to the references already made to them regarding expenditure on the Godavery and Kistna works generally; and, for reasons stated, observing that all works of an occasional kind falling within the competence of this Government to sanction under the extended authority now conceded and which it may be proposed to undertake in the ensuing year should as far as practicable be laid before Government and sanctioned previous to the transmission of the next budget to Calcutta to admit of their being included in the No. 2 list of sanctioned works. Desiring that the Board of Public Works and the Military Board will accordingly make the necessary arrangements, and observing that, by the terms of the order now communicated, Government is precluded from sanctioning any works not entered in the last budget and which it may be proposed to carry out within the current official year unless the	14th „	19th Dec., 2.	

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COUNCIL—*cont.*		1854.	
necessity for them should be unexpected and urgent. Desiring therefore that the Board will be guided by these instructions in disposing of any estimates which may be submitted to them for works to be undertaken within the 30th April next.			
Minute of —. With reference to the proposition contained in the Board's letter of the 17th October 1850 for the formation of a road from Ootacamund to Kotagherry, observing that the work should now be carried out, and sanctioning the estimate then submitted amounting to Rs. 4,737-3-0, and desiring that the improvement of this communication be immediately commenced.	15th Dec.	19th Dec., 13.	
Do.—Sanctioning for execution in 1855-56 certain estimates for Public Works amounting to Rupees 39,357-7-5, and desiring that they may accordingly be included in the list No. 2 of "sanctioned works" to accompany the next budget. Observing that in a few cases the estimates provide for repairs, and as these are not entered in the budget, they may at once be carried out.	—	33.	8th June 1885, 5, p. 3.
CUDDAPAH.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of ordinary and emergent expenditure, and of the marahmut establishment in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 27,987-14-7.	1st Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 1.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	4th Jan.	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Acting Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, reporting that he has finished the tracing of the Nundy Cunnama ghaut, and suggesting that it may at once be opened to the full width of 20 feet instead of 3 yards as sanctioned. Recommends for reasons explained that that officer may be permitted to expend the present estimate in first making the ghaut of the full width, and the remainder in improving the communications on both sides, and that sanction be also granted for the additional amount of Rs. 30,000 required to complete the new line of road and Rs. 2,700 for superintendence.	19th Dec. 1853.	14th Feb., 19.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 10.
Minute thereon	13th Feb.	20.	
Do.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for the repairs of Civil buildings, &c., in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rupees 1,739-1-7.	30th Jan.	24th Feb., 16.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	20th Feb.	17.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Stating that the Collector of — has been authorized in communication with the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, to proceed with the repair of the Cuddapah and Bellary frontier road for the purpose of affording employment to the distressed labouring population on that line, and recommending that an Executive officer may be nominated with three Assistant Overseers for the superintendence of the work at a charge for one year of Rs. 4,455.	20th "	21st Mar., 28.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 9.
Minute thereon	—	29.	

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CUDDAPAH—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Stating with reference to the order of Government, dated 13th February 1854, that the arrangement proposed by Lieutenant Walker with regard to the Nundy Cunnama ghaut and its approaches was fully approved by the Chief Engineer before its submission to Government, and that the Chief Engineer being on leave when the order was received, the work was ordered to be proceeded with under the new arrangement.	13th Mar.	28th Mar. 14.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 10.
Order.—Recorded	—	15.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, with the recommendation of the Board that the medical aid requested by Lieutenant Marsack for the people employed at the Nundy Cunnama ghaut may be granted.	27th Mar.	7th April, 16.	N.N.
Order.—Application made to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, through the Military Department, for the services of a competent medical subordinate to afford medical aid to the people employed under Lieutenant Marsack at the Nundy Cunnama ghaut.	1st April	17.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — affording explanation in respect to the non-performance of the repairs of road between Cuddapah and the frontier of North Arcot.	8th May	30th May, 22.	
Order.—Recorded	—	23.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure on roads in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 253-2-0.	29th May	13th June, 15.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	12th June	16.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Sub-Collector in charge of —, and, under circumstances therein brought to notice, states that the Board have authorized the Collector to provide in communication with the Civil Engineer immediate employment for the distressed population of the Poolevendla and other talooks to the extent applied for.	24th Aug.	29th Aug., 41.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 30.
Minute thereon	—	42.	
Letter from the Collector of —. Reports on the state of distress in the Poolevendla talook, &c, as required in Minutes of Consultation, dated the 29th August last, and encloses copy of a letter received from the Sub-Collector on the subject.	26th Sept.	17th Oct., 14.	
Minute thereon	14th Oct.	15.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits with the Board's recommendation a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, requesting that three Executive officers may be appointed for certain works in the — district.	20th Nov.	5th Dec., 2.	
Order.—The supplemental estimate for the Cuddapah and Nellore line through the Dornala Pass, amounting to Rs. 1,10,000, and including in the budget for 1854-55, being under reference to the	1st Dec.	3.	

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CUDDAPAH—*cont.*		1854.	
Government of India, Government must await the sanction of that authority before appointing the Executive officers applied for in this letter.			
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ENGINEER.			
Letter from Lieutenant-Colonel A. T. Cotton, Chief —. Requesting permission to print such documents as may appear necessary for the defence of certain charges brought against him in the proceedings of Government on the first report of the Public Works Commission.	4th Jan.	14th Feb., 5.	10th Feb. 1854, 1, p. 5.
Do.—Forwarding a memorial to the Honourable Court appealing against certain charges brought against him in the proceedings of Government on the first report of the Public Works Commission.	5th "	7.	Do.
Do.—Forwarding a memorial to the Honourable Court bringing to notice the proceedings of Government with respect to certain Engineer officers who had memorialised the Court against being superseded by an officer of the Native Infantry.	5th "	9.	Do.
Minute thereon	10th Feb.	13.	Do.
Letter from the Chief —. Acknowledges the receipt of Minutes of Consultation of the 10th ultimo, and states that if he were remaining in India he could demand a public enquiry, and that if he lives to reach England he can take measures to secure the publication of all documents necessary for his defence.	7th Mar.	21st Mar., 21.	23rd Mar. 1854, 3, p. 1.
Do.—Forwards a memorial in triplicate addressed to the Honourable Court of Directors, and requests to its being forwarded.	7th "	22.	
Minute thereon	20th "	23.	Do.
Do.—States that he hopes to complete his Professional examination at Cuddalore on the 5th and to reach the Presidency on the 7th instant.	1st Sept.	5th Sept., 12.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	13.	
Letter from the Chief —. Submits for sanction a bill amounting to Rs. 77-13-10 on account of his travelling expenses by dawk on a tour of inspection.	7th Sept.	19th Sept., 5.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	16th "	6.	
Letter from the Chief — and other officers.—On the subject generally of the prosecution of Public Works in the Madras Presidency.	5th July	3rd Oct., 1.	
Minute thereon	28th Sept.	4.	
Letter from the Chief —. Forwards a letter from Major Cotton together with the hydraulic tables which accompanied it, compiled by Lieutenant Stoddard, and recommends that the same may be printed at the expense of Government and distributed as proposed by Major Cotton.	10th Oct.	24th Oct., 14.	N.N.
Order.—Authorized accordingly. Government consider that great credit is due to Lieutenant Stoddard for the compilation of these tables, and desire that their approbation be communicated to him.	—	15.	

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ENGINEER—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Chief —. Requests to be furnished with copies of the second volume of the report of the Public Works Commissioners for his office and for distribution to the several Superintending and Executive Engineers.	9th Dec.	12th Dec., 22.	N.N.
Order.—Eight copies of the work in question having already been supplied to the Chief —, ordered that this letter be recorded.	—	23.	
ENGLAND.			
General letter from Public Department.—Read and orders passed, dated 9th November 1853, No. 48.	—	24th Feb., 42.	24th Feb. 1854, 2, p. 4.
Do.— Do. dated 22nd March 1854, No. 13 ...	—	2nd May, 41.	
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GANJAM.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the First Assistant Civil Engineer of the Sub-division applying for officers and Assistant Overseers for the Russulcondah and Koinjuroo road in — and the roads into the Jeypoor country in Vizagapatam. States that the Board have directed the First Assistant Civil Engineer to apply for officers to the Officer Commanding the Northern Division, and recommends that the Military authorities may be requested to place at the disposal of the First Assistant Civil Engineer such number of non-commissioned officers or privates as he may require.	9th Jan.	17th Jan., 5.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department in view to the Military authorities being instructed to place at the disposal of the First Assistant Civil Engineer of the Sub-division such a number of European non-commissioned officers or privates as he may require.	—	6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for the repair of works connected with the Salt department, amounting to Rs. 640.	22nd Dec. 1853.	27th Jan., 11.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	24th Jan.	12.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the First Assistant Civil Engineer of the Sub-division stating that he had applied to the Officer Commanding Northern Division for the services of Lieutenant Thompson for employment on the passes from Parvatipoor to Jeypoor and Kalahuntry, and that he selected an European for an Assistant Overseer; stating also that Captain Babington of the Artillery at Vizianagrum is desirous of employment in the sub-division.	26th „	7th Feb., 5.	
Minute thereon	4th Feb.	6.	

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GANJAM—*cont.*		1854.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the First Assistant Civil Engineer of the Sub-division bringing the name of Lieutenant W. Hands to the notice of the Board for employment on the road from Russulcondah to Koinjuroo, and recommends the same for the approval of Government.	19th Jan.	14th Feb., 1.	N.N.
Order.—Under the opinion expressed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in respect to Captain Tweedie and Lieutenant Ross as communicated to the Board of Revenue in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 27th January 1854, No. 107, Government do not consider it expedient to apply for the services of Lieutenant W. Hands for employment in the Public Works Department.	9th Feb.	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure for the construction and repair of Civil buildings in the — district for 1852, amounting to Rupees 2,326-2-1.	13th „	14th Mar., 29.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	30.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction a bill for repairs to ferry boats in the — district for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 41-9-10.	13th Feb.	35.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	36.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a minute by the Chief Engineer on substituting a cheap railway for the Aska road, and recommends that a low-speed railway be laid upon the Berhampore and Russulcondah line, for which an estimate of Rs. 1,42,246 has lately been sanctioned. Explains the advantages that may be expected from this measure, and states that the additional expense for the whole line would be only between Rs. 50,000 to Rs. 60,000. Recommends that Rs. 10,000 be appropriated for laying down a few miles upon the new plan with a view to ascertain the cost, and that the rest of the road be proceeded with, but only on a breadth sufficient for the railway, pending orders of the superior authorities. To illustrate the kind of railway, proposes that a sum of Rs. 2,000 be sanctioned for laying down a few hundred yards of rails on the island at Madras.	26th Jan.	28th Mar., 5.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 21.
Minute thereon	25th Mar.	6.	
Do.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates for the formation of roads in the — and Vizagapatam districts, amounting to Rs. 87,385-14-1.	24th April	27th June, 12.	
A letter addressed to the Government of India...	—	13.	
Letter from Lieutenant Wyld, late Superintendent of the Koinjuroo and Sobanpore Road.—Forwards a bill for Rs. 64-5-3, the price of three tarpaulins used on public service, with an explanation of the cause of the delay in its submission, and requests to be informed of the orders of Government for its disposal.	26th June	18th July, 7.	N.N.
Order.—Referred for the report of the Military Board.	15th July	8.	

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GANJAM—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure on Civil buildings in — during 1852, amounting to Rs. 57–2–0.	17th July	1st Aug., 13.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for three ferry boats proposed to be placed at the backwater of Barwah and Sonapore and Ganjam river in the district of, amounting to Rs. 651–12–3.	28th Sept.	10th Oct., 11.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	7th Oct.	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends that an Executive officer may be appointed for the roads in — sanctioned under date the 15th August 1854, and states that Lieutenant Meyer of the 11th Regiment has been mentioned by the Chief Engineer as well qualified for such employment.	20th Nov.	12th Dec., 16.	N.N.
Order.—Government have ascertained that Lieutenant Meyer's services are not available unless Lieutenant Symes employed with the Golcondah Sibbundies is remanded to his regiment, and considering the difficulty of obtaining an officer for this duty, Government would not wish that Lieutenant Symes should be removed; observes however that Lieutenant Symes, has not passed for staff employ, and until qualified he cannot be confirmed as Adjutant.	—	17.	
GUNTOOR.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction plans and estimates amounting to Rs. 4,278–5–0 for four flat bridges and one inverted arch for the Guntoor and Munchella road in the — district.	16th Mar.	7th April, 18.	16th Feb. 1855, 3.
Minute thereon	6t hApril	19.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure upon Civil buildings, &c., in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 8,017–5–0.	20th „	9th May, 1.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	5th May	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure upon roads and bridges in — for 1852, amounting to Rs. 1,045–12–1.	20th April	3.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	5th May	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of ordinary and emergent expenditure, and of the marahmut establishment in — for 1853, amounting to Rupees 18,087–7–8.	17th Aug.	12th Sept., 12.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	9th Sept.	13.	
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HYDERABAD.			
Letter from the Resident.—Forwards copy of a letter from the Deputy Commissioner, Eastern Division, Raichore Doab, and of its enclosure from the Collector of Bellary, relative to the formation of a better road from that station to Secunderabad, &c.	1st Feb.	21st Mar., 3.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 4.
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	17th Mar.	5.	

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HYDERABAD—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter to the Resident.—For reasons stated, observing that Government would not be justified in authorizing the continuation of the road from Madaveram to Secunderabad at their expense, but being satisfied that it would be very inexpedient that the road now under construction from Bellary to Madaveram should stop short at the Nizam's frontier, stating that the Supreme Government have been addressed on the subject, and annexing a copy of the letter forwarded to them.	17th Mar.	21st Mar., 6.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 4.
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INDIA GOVERNMENT.			
Letter to the —. Forwarding a letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of Public Works recommending the disbursement of a sum of Rupees 19,394–5–0, in the repair of the road between Porto Novo and trunk road No. 9, within a mile of the Vellar annicut and bridge, a distance of 14½ miles, in the district of South Arcot, and soliciting sanction for the estimated expenditure.	—	6th Jan., 23.	28th April 1854, 9.
Do.—Under the circumstances explained, intimating that the Commission for enquiring into the system of Public Works at the Madras Presidency closed on the 26th November last, and that on the 8th ultimo Mr. Bourdillon resumed his duties as Collector and Magistrate of North Arcot.	—	13th Jan., 8.	N.N.
Letter to the Military Department.—Observing that the first report of the Commissioners for enquiring into the system of Public Works at this Presidency has already been printed by order of the House of Commons; that it has obtained considerable publicity throughout these territories; that Government would desire that the review of this report by its members should also now be generally made known to its officers, but that they are restrained from ordering the free circulation of them from the consideration that their subject is under the disposal of the Government of India. Under these circumstances, desiring to know if there is objection to these records being at once published, and if not, that permission be given for so doing. Stating that already to some extent they have practically obtained a surreptitious publicity and have been noticed in more than one of the public journals of Madras.	—	17th Jan., 9.	
Letter to the —. Forwarding papers regarding a proposition to construct certain lines of cross roads in the district of Vizagapatam calculated on a rough estimate to cost Rs. 66,500 with the view of giving employment to the people during the present unfavourable season, and observing that under the emergency of the case this expenditure has been sanctioned in anticipation of approval which is now requested.	—	27th Jan., 37.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 19.
Letter from the —. Confirming the sanction given by the Madras Government to the disbursement of Rs. 28,700 for the formation of a road from	13th Jan.	45.	Do., p. 16.

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.*		1854.	
Koinjuroo to Russulcondah in the district of Ganjam with the view of opening the coast to the hill tracts of Orissa.			
Order.—Recorded	—	27th Jan., 46.	
Letter from the —. Confirming the disbursement of Rs. 39,634-14-4, for the preliminary formation of roads from Bellary to Kurnool and Hyderabad, to afford employment to the people of the district suffering from scarcity.	13th Jan.	31st Jan., 1.	28th April 1854, 9.
Order.—Recorded	—	2.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the construction of seven bridges on the road between Trivalloor and Tritrapoondy, and the rebuilding of the bridge across the Trimulrajin river between Tanjore and Combaconum in the district of Tanjore at an aggregate expense of Rs. 27,044-5-4.	13th Jan.	7th Feb., 1.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works and to the offices of Account and Audit.	1st Feb.	2.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the grant of Rupees 91-4-0 per month, the usual tent allowance of an Assistant Civil Engineer, to Lieutenant Babington, Executive officer in charge of the Devamany ghaut and road in the district of Canara; as well as to all officers similarly situated.	19th Jan.	3.	24th April 1854, 5, p. 15.
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works and to the offices of Account and Audit. The Board directed to observe that the Government of India have extended the grant of tentage to all officers similarly situated with Lieutenant Babington.	1st Feb.	4.	
Letter from the —. Confirming the disbursement of Rs. 20,324-4-4 for the repairs of the road from Sircy to the Dharwar frontier in the Canara district.	9th Jan.	13.	Do., p. 8.
Order.—Recorded	—	14.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning a disbursement of Rs. 19,394-5-0, for the repair of the road between Porto Novo and trunk road No. 9, within a mile of the Vellar annicut and bridge, a distance of 14½ miles in the district of South Arcot.	27th Jan.	14th Feb., 16.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 14.
Minute thereon	11th Feb.	17.	
Letter to the —. Reporting that the Government have, at the recommendation of the Board of Public Works, authorized the expenditure of the estimate of Rs. 15,698-5-6, already sanctioned for the Nundy Cunnama Pass between Kurnool and Cuddapah, in at once opening the ghaut to the full width of 20 feet, and in improving the communication on both sides, and that they have sanctioned a further outlay of Rs. 32,700 for the completion of the ghaut and the roads on each side.	13th „	21.	Do. p. 10.
Do.—Transmitting copies of despatches to the Honourable Court of Directors forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	27th „	28th Feb., 11.	

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Intimating that there is no objection to the publication of the minutes of the Members of the Madras Government on the first report of the Public Works Commission.	10th Feb.	28th Feb., 14.	
Minute thereon	—	15.	
Letter to the —. Soliciting sanction for an outlay of Rs. 8,565-10-6 for the construction of three bridges upon the new road from Vizagapatam to Yamoolawalsah near Bimlipatam and for an annual grant of Rs. 1,750 for the preservation of this and the one leading southwards to Ankapilly. Intimating that this Government has authorized the additional disbursement required to complete the line from Vizagapatam to Yamoolawalsah.	—	14th Mar., 26.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 17.
Do.—Forwarding correspondence from the Resident at Hyderabad and the Board of Revenue having reference to the continuation through the Eastern division of the Raichoor Doab of the road from Bellary to the Hyderabad frontier, and, under the circumstances noticed, expressing a hope that the Government of India may see fit to authorize the portion within the limits of the Nizam's country being undertaken at the expense of the Hyderabad Government.	17th Mar	21st Mar., 5.	
Letter from the —. Approving, subject to the confirmation of the Honourable Court, the sanction given by the Madras Government for the construction of cross roads in the district of Vizagapatam, which, it is calculated, will cost about Rs. 66,500.	17th Feb.	26.	
Order.—Recorded	—	27.	
Letter to the —. Forwarding further correspondence from the Board of Public Works, and, under the circumstances therein explained, intimating that Government have sanctioned an entire change in the line of communication between Cuddalore and Salem to be opened under the sanction granted by the Government of India in their letter of 14th October 1853 for Rs. 66,257-15-8, and requesting that the proceeding may be confirmed.	25th Mar.	28th Mar., 11.	
Do.—Transmitting copies of despatches to the Honourable Court of Directors forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	29th "	7th April, 7.	
Letter from the —. Confirming the sanction granted by the Madras Government to the additional outlay of Rs. 32,700 for opening the Nundy Cunnama ghaut to the full width of 20 feet.	22nd "	22.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 10.
Order.—Recorded	—	23.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a despatch from the Honourable Court, and requests, in adoption of a plan suggested by that authority for the execution of Public Works, that this Government should annually require the proper public officers to submit a statement of the new works such as roads, bridges, works of irrigation, buildings and other works of a miscellaneous character which are most urgently required, and the execution of which they are prepared to undertake within the ensuing year,	3rd Mar.	21st April, 1.	N.N.

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.* showing also the entire expenditure proposed to be incurred. Observing that, on the receipt of this statement, the local Government will decide whether the works proposed have been properly selected for execution, and then submit the whole scheme for the final sanction of the Government of India; that estimates within the competence of the local Government to sanction, should also be exhibited to enable that Government to obtain at once a comprehensive view of the whole of the works contemplated and of the expenditure to be incurred.		1854.	
Minute thereon	13th April	21st April, 2.	
Letter to the —. Acknowledging letter giving cover to a despatch from the Honourable Court, and requesting, in adoption of a plan suggested by that authority for the execution of Public Works, that a statement be furnished annually from this Presidency of the new works which the Government may decide upon undertaking. Under the circumstances explained, observing that Government have directed that the annual statement should be so prepared as to exhibit new works only, and all such as contemplate the improvement or extension of existing works for which occasional works are usually submitted. Requesting to be informed whether this construction of what the statement should exhibit is correct; and with reference to the explanations of the system pursued in this Presidency, detailed in the reports of the Public Works Commissioners, whether it is still desired that a rough estimate should be made of the annual expense on emergent and ordinary repairs, and at what period the statement should be prepared.	13th ,,	3.	N.N.
Do.—Forwarding copy of a communication from the Board of Public Works giving cover to a letter and minute from the Chief Engineer on the subject of low-speed railways together with the minutes recorded by the Members of the Government.	24th ,,	2nd May, 10.	
Do.—Regarding the arrangements which have been sanctioned by this Government with the view of affording relief to the population suffering from adversity of the season.	28th ,,	28.	Reptd. No. 22.
Letter from the —. Sanctioning an additional outlay of Rs. 1,500 for perfecting the road from the town of Vizagapatam to Yamoolawalsah, and the construction of three bridges on this line at an estimated cost of Rs. 8,565–10–6, as also an annual grant of Rs. 1,750 for the preservation of the above roads and the one leading southward to Ankapilly.	15th ,,	29.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 17.
Order.—Under the authority conveyed by the Government of India, Government now sanction the construction of these works.	29th ,,	30.	
Letter to the —. Forwarding letter from the Board of Public Works recommending for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 16,484–11–11 for the formation of a new road between St. Thomas' Mount and Poonamallee in the Chingleput district, and soliciting sanction for the estimated outlay.	—	34.	

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Transmitting copy of a letter addressed to the Resident at Hyderabad relating to the continuation towards Secunderabad through the Eastern division of the Raichoor Doab of the road from Bellary to the Hyderabad frontier recently sanctioned.	19th April	2nd May, 39.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	—	40.	N.N.
Letter to the —. Submits for sanction an application in the prescribed form for the entertainment of a pensioned sepoy for the charge of the travellers' bungalow at Dhone in Kurnool at a monthly expense of Rs. 2–12–9.	—	16th May, 10.	
Do.—Forwarding a letter from the Board of Public Works recommending for sanction an occasional estimate amounting to Rs. 12,074–9–0 for the repair and improvement of a portion of the road from Trichinopoly to the Neilgherries in the Coimbatore district, and, under the circumstances explained, soliciting sanction for the proposed expenditure, and also for an annual grant of Rs. 25 a mile or Rupees 2,225 for the whole distance for the due maintenance of the road in repair after its completion.	20th May	23rd May, 8.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 14.
Letter from the —. Under the circumstances explained, approving of the Madras Government having abandoned the new line of road originally contemplated from Cuddalore to the boundary of the Salem district, and authorizing the appropriation of the amount which was sanctioned for the same to the improvement of the existing road from Coringapady and ending in the same terminus.	28th April	18.	
Order.—Recorded	—	19.	
Letter to the —. Transmitting copy of a despatch to the Honourable Court forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	—	30th May, 24.	
Letter from the —. Replying to enquiries on certain points having reference to the call made in letter, dated 3rd March last, for a statement of public works proposed to be executed annually by the Madras Government.	19th May	6th June, 5.	
Order.—Communicated for the information and guidance of the Board of Public Works, the Military Board and Superintendent of Roads.	3rd June	6.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the formation of a new road between St. Thomas' Mount and Poonamallee in Chingleput at an estimated cost of Rupees 16,484–11–11.	19th May	13.	
Minute thereon	—	14.	
Do.—Confirming the sanction granted by this Government for the construction of certain roads and the execution of other public works in Bellary and elsewhere in order to give employment to the population who are suffering great distress from the failure of the rains. Recording observations regarding the rate of wages which have been paid to the labourers on these works, and trusting that Government have spared neither men nor money to secure adequate superintendence in this emergency.	26th May	20th June, 7.	
Minute thereon	—	8.	

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter to the —. Transmitting copies of despatches to the Honourable the Court of Directors forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	26th June	27th June, 11.	
Letter to the —. Forwarding a sketch-map showing certain road works recommended by the Board of Public Works for execution in the Ganjam and Vizagapatam districts, and, under the circumstances explained, soliciting authority for the estimated expenditure, viz., Rs. 87,385–14–1. Observing that the First Assistant Civil Engineer has been directed to communicate with the Commissioner for the Northern Circars respecting the portions of the two lines of road to be formed within the Kimedy estate, the expense of which will have to be borne by the zemindar, and that the works now recommended will be included in the annual budget for Public Works to be submitted for the current year under the late orders.	—	27th June, 13.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 20.
Do.—Submits for sanction an application in the prescribed form for the employment of a peon on a salary of Rs. 7 per mensem for the Assistant Secretary to the Board of Public Works.	—	4th July, 11.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning an estimate amounting to Rs. 12,074–9–0 for the repair and improvement of a portion of the road from Trichinopoly to the Neilgherries, a distance of 89⅝ miles; also an annual grant of Rs. 25 a mile for the due maintenance of the road in repair after its completion.	16th June	12.	Do., p. 14.
Minute thereon	—	13.	
Letter to the —. Reporting that the Collector of Rajahmundry has made an application for appropriating a building, hitherto occupied as a Court-house by the District Moonsiff at Pengondah but which has now become vacant by the removal of the Court to Narsapore, as a public bungalow for the use of travellers; that under the circumstances represented Government has sanctioned the arrangement, and as the services of a sweeper have become necessary for the preservation of the building, submitting an application in the prescribed form for the employment of such a servant at a monthly charge of Rs. 2.	8th July	11th July, 4.	
Letter from the —. Forwarding with observations copy of the Honourable Court's despatch regarding the roads proposed to be constructed from Cuddalore to the boundary of the Salem district and from Masulipatam to the Nizam's frontier towards Hyderabad.	23rd June	25th July, 7.	
Minute thereon	24th July	8.	
Do.—Sanctioning the employment of a pensioned sepoy on Rs. 2–12–9 per month for the charge of the travellers' bungalow at Dhone in Kurnool.	10th „	20.	
Order.—Under the authority of the —, Government sanction the employment of a pensioned sepoy.	—	21.	
Letter from the —. Communicating observations and suggestions respecting the form in which projects of Public Works should be submitted annually for their sanction.	21st July	15th Aug., 11.	

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.*		1854.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Board of Public Works for their early attention and guidance, and also to the Military Board and Road department.	12th Aug.	15th Aug., 12.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the construction of three lines of road in Ganjam and Vizagapatam at a cost of Rs. 87,385-14-1, and regretting the prospect held out of great delay in the submission of the annual statement of Public Works for the current year.	28th July	13.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 20.
Minute thereon	—	14.	
Letter to the —. Observing that Government have placed at the disposal of Lieutenant Tyrrell, the officer appointed to conduct the survey of a line for the construction of a low-speed railway, the services of four Carnatic Ordnance Artificers to assist him in the survey of the Negapatam and Trichinopoly line, on a monthly allowance, inclusive of military pay of Rs. 79-0-8, to each, being of the same amount as the pay and allowance of a Sub-Assistant Surveyor, and soliciting sanction for the charge involved in the arrangement, amounting to Rs. 256-2-8 per mensem. Observing that the period of one year appears longer than can be necessary for the entertainment of this establishment, but that care will be taken that it be not continued longer than is really required.	18th Aug.	22nd Aug., 2.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning as a permanent measure the employment by the Assistant Secretary to the Board of Public Works of a peon on a salary of Rs. 7 per mensem.	7th "	29th Aug., 1.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works and to the offices of Account and Audit.	23rd "	2.	
Letter to the —. Soliciting sanction for the construction of a teakwood bridge on masonry piers and abutments on the high coast road between Pondicherry and Cuddalore at the joint expense of the French and English Government. Under circumstances noticed, observing that Government fully approve of the project, and have ordered it to be included in the Public Works budget for 1854-55; but as they are anxious to avoid delay with the French authorities who are to execute the work and who have already received sanction for their part of the outlay, submitting the present application as an exceptional case and soliciting authority for immediate sanction being accorded for this Government's share of the estimate, amounting to Rupees 14,175. Observing that stipulations will be entered into with the French Government for the free use of the bridge at all times, and that no toll be at any time exacted from passengers using it without the previous concurrence of the British Government.	26th "	22.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the employment of a sweeper at Rs. 2 per mensem for the building proposed to be appropriated as a travellers' bungalow at Pengondah in Rajahmundry.	11th "	29.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works and also to the offices of Account and Audit.	28th "	30.	

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter to the —. Forwarding for sanction an application in the prescribed form for the entertainment of a pensioned sepoy and a sweeper for the new bungalow at Gunothe on the Pariambady ghaut road in Malabar at a charge of Rs. 5-8-0.	28th Aug.	29th Aug., 32.	
Do.—Transmitting copies of despatches to the Honourable the Court of Directors forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	—	43.	
Do.—With reference to the remarks conveyed in letter, dated 28th July last, regarding the annual statements of Public Works for the current years 1854–55, forwarding with observations the grounds assigned by the Board of Revenue for the delay in the submission of the returns in question.	1st Sept.	5th Sept., 5.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 20.
Letter from the —. Forwarding copy of Honourable Court's despatch confirming the sanction given to the construction of cross roads in Vizagapatam at a cost of Rs. 66,500, and drawing attention to the Court's remarks regarding the propriety of forwarding with all applications for the construction of a road, undertaken without reference to the wants of the country at large, but, under special circumstances, a full statement of the benefits expected to be derived from the work, and a sketch-map showing the direction of the road and its connection with existing lines of communication.	25th Aug.	26th Sept., 7.	N.N.
Minute thereon	22nd Sept.	8.	
Letter to the —. Transmitting copy of a despatch to the Honourable Court forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	—	15.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the construction of a teakwood bridge on masonry piers and abutments across the river Kalingalaur on the high coast road between Pondicherry and Cuddalore at a cost of Rs. 28,350, of which the Madras Government is to pay one-half and the French Government the other moiety.	15th Sept.	10th Oct., 3.	
Order.—Furnished for the information and guidance of the Board of Public Works, and to the Special Agent for Foreign Settlements for communication to the Governor of Pondicherry, also to the offices of Account and Audit.	5th Oct.	4.	
Letter to the —. Observing that Government are anxious to obtain for the subordinate grades connected with the Public Works of this Presidency the advantages enjoyed by similar grades in the Bengal Presidency, and, under the circumstances stated, recommending that the order of the Government of India, dated 8th August 1851, No. 432, may, like that of the 20th July 1853, be extended to this Presidency.	9th „	16.	
Do.—Forwarding annual statements of projects of Public Works drawn up in the prescribed form for the official year 1854–55. Reviewing the projects brought forward this year for execution, and observing that Government are satisfied of the utility and value of the several works proposed, and requesting authority for the expenditure upon the same.	11th „	17th Oct., 9.	5th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 7.

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INDIA GOVERNMENT—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the employment, for one year, of four Carnatic Ordnance Artificers as Sub-Assistant Surveyors at a monthly aggregate charge of Rs. 256–2–8 to assist Lieutenant Tyrrell in the survey of the Negapatam and Trichinopoly line for the construction of a low-speed railway.	23rd Sept.	17th Oct., 12.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	16th Oct.	13.	
Letter to the —. As the budget for the year 1854–55 has been despatched, desiring to be informed whether it is competent for this Government to sanction works within Rs. 10,000 cost, which it would seem to be desirable to commence before the 30th April next, and which, if not commenced, must be delayed for another entire year. Observing that subsequent to the closing of the budget accounts for 1854–55, application has been made for sanction for some small works, the construction of which should not be delayed beyond the next working season beginning in January next, but doubting whether this Government possesses authority to permit the necessary expenditure as it is not included in the budget for 1854–55.	—	28.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 27.
Do.—Transmitting copies of despatches to the Honourable the Court of Directors forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	27th Oct.	31st Oct., 10.	
Letter from the —. Sanctioning the employment by the Collector of Malabar of a pensioned sepoy and a sweeper at an aggregate charge of Rs. 5–8–0 per month for the new bungalow at Gunothe on the Pariambady ghaut road in Malabar.	13th „	29.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works and also to the offices of Account and Audit.	—	30.	
Letter from the —. Transmitting, with certain observations and instructions, copy of a despatch from the Honourable the Court of Directors regarding the construction of Public Works in India on an extended scale.	6th Oct.	14th Nov., 9.	N.N.
Minute thereon	6th Nov.	10.	
Letter to the —. Transmitting copies of despatches to the Honourable the Court of Directors forwarded by the Mail of the current month.	29th „	5th Dec., 1.	
Letter from the —. In reply to letter, dated 17th ultimo, stating that the Government of Madras may commence any works included in the budget for 1854–55, the cost of which does not exceed their sanction limit now raised from Rs. 10,000 to Rupees 25,000 under the orders of the Honourable Court, but that other works not included ought not to be commenced unless the necessity for them is unexpected and urgent.	17th „	19th Dec., 1.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 27.
Minute thereon	14th Dec.	2.	
Do.—Sanctioning the extension to the Madras Presidency of the General Order, dated 8th August 1851, fixing a scale of travelling allowances for the subordinate grades attached to the Department of Public Works in Bengal.	30th Nov.	7.	
Order.—Communicated to the Military Board and to the Board of Public Works, also to the Superintendent of Roads, the Accountant-General, and Civil and Military Auditors.	15th Dec.	8.	

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INDIA HOUSE.		1854.	
Letter to the —. Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of the Government in this department for the months of January and February 1853 with indexes.	18th Mar.	21st Mar., 7.	
Do.—Forwarding ten printed copies of the General rules for the trunk roads of the Madras Presidency.	24th April	2nd May, 17.	
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the months of March and April 1853 with indexes.	20th May	23rd May, 17.	3.
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the months of May, June and July 1853 with indexes.	—	18th July, 22.	4.
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the month of August 1853 with indexes.	—	8th Aug., 3.	
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the month of September 1853 with index.	23rd Aug.	29th Aug., 3.	
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government for October 1853 with index.	7th Sept.	12th Sept., 9.	
Do.—Transmits the broken-set proceedings of Government for November 1853 with index.	21st „	26th Sept., 4.	
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the month of December 1853 with index.	7th Oct.	10th Oct., 13.	9.
Do.—Submits the broken-set proceedings for the month of January last with index.	20th „	24th Oct., 5.	Reptd. 11.
Do.—Transmitting copy of the annual index to the proceedings of Government for the year 1852.	20th „	6.	10.
Do.—Transmitting 20 copies of No. V of the Selections from the records of the Madras Government containing a collective memorandum on Public Works of the Madras Presidency.	20th „	7.	12.
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the month of February 1854 with index.	7th Nov.	14th Nov., 16.	13.
Do.—Transmitting, for submission to the Honourable Court, the six lithographed sketch of the Kistna annicut.	7th „	17.	14.
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government for the month of March 1854 with index.	—	21st Nov., 11.	
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the month of April 1854 with index.	—	5th Dec., 14.	
Do.—Transmitting the broken-set proceedings of Government in this department for the month of May 1854 with index.	23rd Dec.	Diary after Cons., 19th Dec., 49.	17.
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KURNOOL.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits an estimate for adding a verandah to the Atcoor talook cutcherry in — with the recommendation of the Board that under the explanation of the Agent to the Governor	5th Dec., 53.	6th Jan., 5.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 29.

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KURNOOL—*cont.*		1854.	
of the necessity of this improvement, sanction may be granted for the additional amount required, viz., Rs. 206.			
Order.—Sanctioned	4th Jan.	6th Jan., 6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits letter from the Agent to the Governor in — reporting upon the works proper to be undertaken for the purpose of affording employment to the people during the scarcity, and states that the Board do not consider the construction of bridges suitable works, but would recommend that the repair of the road from Kurnool to Bellary and to Ghooty be undertaken together with the line from Kurnool to the Nundy Cunnama Pass leading to the coast, and that the superintendence establishment for these lines for one year will amount to Rs. 9,630.	9th „	27th Jan., 3.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 11.
Minute thereon	20th „	4.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Agent to the Governor at — reporting that the new bungalow at Dhone on the road between Gooty and Kurnool is ready for the accommodation of travellers, and forwarding a notice to this effect for insertion in the Official Gazette, and requesting authority to entertain a sweeper and a pensioned sepoy for the bungalow.	23rd Feb.	14th Mar., 1.	N.N.
Order.—The Board requested to submit an application in the prescribed form for the establishment required for the new bungalow at Dhone. The notice received with these proceedings published in the Official Gazette.	2nd Mar.	2.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction estimate amounting to Rs. 2,175-11-0 for a bridge over the Voota Wagoo Nullah on the Gooty and Kurnool road in the — district.	13th „	7th Apr., 3.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	29th „	4.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a tabular statement for the establishment required for the new bungalow at Dhone in —.	1st May	16th May, 9.	N.N.
A letter addressed to the Government of India.	—	10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Agent to the Governor in — affording the information called for by Government regarding the statistics of the village of Eskapilly.	29th June	25th July, 9.	
Minute thereon	24th July	10.	
Do.—Submits for sanction bills for repairing Civil buildings in — during 1852, amounting to Rupees 440-2-7.	6th „	13.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, with Lieutenant Harrington's diary for June last reporting the losses sustained by Assistant Overseers Sullivan and Duffy by a flood in the Tumrazpilly valley on the — and Nundyal road, and, under circumstances stated, recommends that	28th Aug.	12th Sept., 5.	

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KURNOOL—*cont.* the balance due by each, viz., Rs. 40, or Rs. 80 for both, may be written off to profit and loss.			
Order.—Sanctioned	7th Sept.	12th Sept., 6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Agent in — on the subject of the Civil Engineer's proposition for completing the roads commenced in Kurnool, and observes that the particular arrangement of the lines of road referred to by the Collector may be made when the general propositions of the Civil Engineer are sanctioned.	24th Aug.	31st Oct., 1.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 17.
Do.—Submits a report upon the — roads for 1853, and observes that the proposition for completing the lines of road commenced has been already submitted by the Board; states that it is impracticable to station an Engineer officer in the district, but that the Executive officers will be able to carry forward the works under the discretion of the Civil Engineer.	5th Oct.	2.	Do.
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Agent to the Governor in — with a statement of the expenditure on account of the road works undertaken for the relief of the suffering population in that district.	5th „	4.	Do.
Minute thereon	27th „	7.	Do.
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for rebuilding on the standard plan the talook cutcherry at Paniem in the district of — at a cost of Rs. 2,284.	27th Nov.	19th Dec., 26.	
Minute thereon	—	33.	
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MADRAS. *Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.*—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure for works performed to the salt platforms, &c., in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 1,564-7-10.	1st Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 3.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	4th Jan.	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimate for the repair of works connected with the Salt department, amounting to Rs. 32-4-0.	22nd Dec. 1853.	27th Jan., 11.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	24th Jan.	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for repairs, &c., performed to the salt works at Madras, Ennore, &c., for 1851 and 1852, amounting to Rs. 103-9-6.	13th Feb.	14th Mar., 33.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	34.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 2,054-9-1 for enlarging the salt platforms at —.	16th Feb.	45.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	46.	

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MADRAS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 6,268–3–3 for the erection of an additional platform north of the existing Salt Cotaurs on the west bank of Cochrane's canal, it being found objectionable on the north side. States that as provision must be made for the reception of a much larger quantity of salt heaps than was proposed in the former estimate, the outlay is considerably larger, and as the extension is immediately required, the Board have authorized the Collector to proceed with the work, and requests that sanction may be granted for the difference between the revised and sanctioned estimates, viz., Rs. 4,213–10–2.	20th April	9th May, 5.	
Minute thereon	5th May	6.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of —, and, with reference thereto, recommends that the sum of Rs. 322–11–0 may be sanctioned for repairing the road leading to the Salt Cotaurs and improving the ground around the cutcherry.	22nd ,,	6th June, 9.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	5th June	10.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 2,102–5–5 for deepening the spur tank in —.	3rd July	11th July, 19.	Do.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	20.	
Letter from the Acting Collector of —. Submits the suggestions that have occurred to him regarding the projects referred to in the printed memorandum forwarded with Extract from Minutes of Consultation of the 28th September last both as regards the district of — and Guntoor.	5th Oct.	31st Oct., 11.	
Minute thereon	28th ,,	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 200–12–9 for further metalling the road to the Salt Cotaurs in the Collectorate of Madras.	12th ,,	15.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	28th ,,	16.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits plan and estimate for repairing the salt cutcherry at a cost of Rs. 135–0–4, for constructing a new building to serve as a cutcherry for the Salt Superintendent and a temporary dwelling for the Captains of vessels estimated at Rupees 2,069–6–9, also for the formation of a new road at Rs. 372–7–0 to the salt platform at Ennore in the Collectorate of —, and recommends that, as the works appear very necessary, sanction may be granted for the total amount of the estimate, viz., Rs. 2,576–14–1.	23rd ,,	19th Dec., 23.	
Minute thereon	—	33.	
MADURA.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends that an annual outlay of Rs. 50 for each of the thirteen salt-pan roads in the district of — may be sanctioned, amounting	16th Feb.	14th Mar., 43.	

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MADURA—*cont.*		1854.	
in all to Rs. 650, and authorizing the Collector to proceed immediately with the repairs now required to those roads.			
Order.—Government are of opinion that an annual outlay of Rs. 50 for each of the thirteen salt-pan roads in — may be properly admitted by the Board in the bills of expenditure without estimate in that district, and observe that the Board can exercise their discretion as to admitting similar expenditure in other of the Maritime districts.	—	14th Mar., 44.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure for repairs to roads in the — district for 1852, amounting to Rs. 2,979-10-0.	17th Aug.,	5th Sept., 10.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	11.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure on Civil buildings in — for 1852, amounting to Rupees 2,956-1-0.	17th Aug.	12th Sept., 3.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	7th Sept.	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 8th Division, stating that the — town aqueduct may be placed under the superintendence of Ensign Payne, or that an additional European Overseer should be appointed to that work, and observes that there is no qualified officer or Overseer under the Board's orders who can be spared for employment in the 8th Division.	25th „	10th Oct., 20.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	21.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction four estimates for the repair and construction of roads and bridges in the — district, amounting to Rs. 3,163-1-0.	12th Oct.	19th Dec., 29.	
Minute thereon	—	33.	
MALABAR.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction a revised estimate for the formation of a road from the Cannanore Bazar and Salt Gollah to the Perambaddy road and for its extension to Kakad, amounting, after the deduction of local contributions and of the sum sanctioned in Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 16th July 1853, to Rs. 1,306-6-0.	12th Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 11.	
Order.—Sanctioned	4th Jan.	12.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Intimating that under the general authority for employing the people during the scarcity, the Board have authorized the outlay recommended by the Collector of — on certain cross roads in his district.	9th „	27th Jan., 38.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 20.
Order.—Approved	—	39.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of —, and recommends that the sum of Rs. 1,800 therein solicited for metalling a further portion of the sandy road between Tanoor and Betulpoodiangaddy which was not included in the original estimate, may be sanctioned.	9th Feb.	28th Feb., 9.	

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MALABAR—*cont.*		1854.	
Order.—Sanctioned	27th Feb.	28th Feb., 10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submitting for sanction an estimate for completing the Pooraparamba canal and for a regulating sluice amounting to Rs. 5,735-1-0 being part of the project connected with the Tanoor canal in the district of —. Explaining the cause of the additional sum now required, and stating that it is indispensably required for the completion of an uninterrupted line of water communication along the coast of 245 miles.	23rd Jan.	21st Mar., 15.	
Minute thereon	20th Mar.	16.	
Do.—Submits for sanction estimates for the construction of bridges on the road from Angadipooram to Teeroongudy and from Calicut to Areacodi in the district of —, amounting together to Rupees 2,103-14-0.	3rd April	2nd May, 11.	
Order.—Sanctioned	24th „	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for the annual repairs of rethatching and otherwise repairing revenue and public buildings, &c., in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 2,871-14-3.	29th May	13th June, 13.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 9.
Order.—Sanctioned	12th June	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure for road repairs in the district of — during the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 11,095-4-11.	7th Aug.	29th Aug., 18.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	25th „	19.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a tabular statement in the prescribed form for the entertainment of a pensioned sepoy and a sweeper at the new bungalow at Gunothe in the district of —.	17th „	31.	
A letter addressed to the Government of India ..	28th „	32.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bills of expenditure on public and revenue buildings in — during 1852, amounting to Rs. 5,943-7-10.	10th „	12th Sept., 1.	N.N.
Minute thereon	7th Sept.	2.	
Do.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates for the construction of ferry boats and timber platform bridges in — and Rajahmundry, amounting to Rs. 3,495-7-11.	17th Aug.	19th Sept., 1.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	16th Sept.	2.	
Letter from the Collector of —. States that there is no necessity for having an officer to superintend the Oleel bridge till materials are somewhat forward, and that he will, if Government would allow, entertain a maistry at first to get things ready.	26th Oct.	14th Nov., 25.	N.N.
Order.—As the Collector of — sees no present necessity for employing an officer at the (Iritty) Oleel bridge, he will make such arrangements as seem requisite for carrying on the work.	13th Nov.	26.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — explaining his reasons for abandoning the project of erecting the Sea Custom House at Ponany.	26th Oct.	38.	

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MALABAR—*cont.*		1854.	
Order.—Recorded	—	14th Nov., 39.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repairs of roads in the districts of — and South Arcot, amounting to Rs. 2,116-3-0.	4th Dec.	19th Dec., 9.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	15th „	10.	
MASULIPATAM.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 3,017-14-11 for constructing a travellers' bungalow at Bezoarah in the — district in lieu of the present old building which it is necessary to remove to admit of the enlargement of the great irrigating channel from the Kistna annicut, and also of the embankment of the river.	9th Mar.	7th Apr., 10.	
Minute thereon	30th „	11.	
Do.—Submits for sanction bills of ordinary and emergent expenditure in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 16,934-3-11.	27th Feb.	2nd May, 18.	
Minute thereon	27th April	19.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 7,200 for the construction of fifty ferry boats for crossing the Godavery channels in the district of —.	13th „	37.	
Minute thereon	—	38.	
Do.—Submits for sanction a revised estimate for constructing a new travellers' bungalow at Bezoarah in —, and recommends that the old bungalow may be allowed to remain as a temporary accommodation for travellers until the new one is finished.	4th May	30th May, 14.	
Minute thereon	29th „	15.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits with reference to the order of Government, dated 27th April last, a letter from the Collector of — affording explanation with regard to the small amount of work performed in the district in 1852, and states that the Collector has proposed an increase of his Maramut establishment, regarding which the Board will communicate with Government after the opinion of the Civil Engineer on the subject is received.	5th Oct.	17th Oct., 22.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	23.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits with observations a letter from the Civil Engineer, Kistna division, on the subjects of the canal communication between Bezoarah and —, and the road from Ebrampatam to the Hyderabad frontier.	2nd Oct.	24th Oct., 3.	
Minute thereon	20th „	4.	
MILITARY AUDITOR-GENERAL.			
Letter from the —. For reasons stated, observes that Lieutenant Barber has no claim to any travelling allowance or passage money on proceeding to join his appointment in the Road department.	7th April	2nd May, 13.	
Minute thereon	24th „	14.	

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MILITARY BOARD.		1854.	
Letter from the —. Forwards register of bills passed in the Revenue Department for works executed in the department of buildings and repairs for the quarter ending 31st October 1853.	14th Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 30.	
Order.—Recorded	—	31.	
Letter from the —. Reports having authorized on emergency the sum of Rs. 93-14-0 for certain repairs to the Revenue Board office.	6th Jan.	27th Jan., 15.	
Order.—Approved	24th „	16.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction a bill for repairs to the building of the Land Custom House at Madras, amounting to Rs. 157-13-1.	27th „	24th Feb., 12.	
Order.—Sanctioned	20th Feb.	13.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 2,253-14-2 for the construction of the Madavarathoo road from the assessment limits to the northern trunk road.	8th „	26.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 3.
Order.—Sanctioned. Government request that the — will arrange for the immediate commencement and early completion of the work.	22nd „	27.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 92-11-8 for erecting two privies for the use of the clerks of the Collector's cutcherry at Madras, and requests permission for another to be constructed at the Toll office, Cochrane's canal, at a cost of Rs. 50.	8th „	28.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 29.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	29.	
Letter from the —. States that the Board of Public Works and the Civil authorities have indented for tools for the use of the distressed population on the roads in the districts, far beyond what the Arsenals under their control can supply, and reports what measures they have taken for providing tools to make up these deficiencies. Submits correspondence from the Collector and the Subordinate Judge of Salem, and, under the circumstances therein brought to notice, proposes that an order be given to make up 20,000 pickaxes and 20,000 mamoties at Salem provided the average rates do not exceed the English cost; also that Lieutenant King of the Vellore Arsenal may be directed to proceed to Salem to assist in setting the business in train, and that he may be allowed travelling charges and batta during his stay in Salem without prejudice to his allowances from the charge of the Vellore Arsenal.	8th Feb.	36.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	37.	
Do.—Submits for sanction two statements of charges incurred for supplying glazed shutters to the office of the Collector of Madras, and repairing the Arrack distillery at Tondiarpett, amounting together to Rs. 479-9-0.	0th Feb.	14th Mar., 7.	
Minute thereon	3rd Mar.	8.	
Do.—List of a bill for reforming the northern road from the basin bridge to the limits amounting to Rs. 3,378-15-10, submitted for the sanction of Government.	22nd Feb.	21st Mar., 17.	
Order.—Sanctioned	20th Mar.	18.	

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MILITARY BOARD—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction a bill for repairing the roof of the sheds in the Sea Custom House on the north beach, amounting to Rupees 217–12–10.	7th Mar.	7th Apr., 8.	
Order.—Sanctioned	30th „	9.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 1,124–7–10 for executing certain repairs to the Land Custom House buildings.	17th „	21st Apr., 4.	
Minute thereon	13th April	5.	
Do.—Submits for sanction a bill amounting to Rupees 458–1–11 for certain repairs to the Land Custom House at Madras.	10th Mar.	16.	
Order.—Sanctioned	20th April	17.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction a further estimate for repairs to the Arrack distillery at Tondiarpett in Madras amounting to Rs. 643–14–8, and, in explanation of the necessity for this work, forwards remarks of the Superintending Surgeon on the subject.	11th „	2nd May, 24.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 29.
Order.—Sanctioned	27th „	25.	
Letter from the —. Submits a letter from the Superintendent of Roads stating that the hardness of the soil and the difficulty of procuring tank-digger coolies prevent the Madavarathoo road being executed so rapidly as he could wish.	10th May	23rd May, 22.	9th Jan. 1855, 1.
Order.—Recorded	—	23.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction a plan and estimate amounting to Rs. 9,958–3–7 for making a new road, 4 miles and 186 yards long, from the southern extremity of St. Thomas' Mount to the Chingleput road.	8th May	6th June, 1.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 12.
Order.—Forwarded to the Board of Public Works for the report of the Collector of Chingleput.	31st „	2.	
Letter from the —. Reports that the Collector of Madras, on being referred to on the matter of improvements to the cutcherry buildings, has expressed a wish that the subject may be kept in abeyance until such time as the question of their conversion for the purposes of a museum shall be decided, and requests orders on the subject.	10th „	20th June, 5.	
Minute thereon	—	6.	
Do.—Observes that the extension of the order of the Government of India No. 588 of 1853 to the Department of Public Works of this Presidency appeared to the Board to contemplate the full application of the Bengal system to the subordinates, and that, on reference to G.O.G.G. of 22nd July 1853, it will be observed that a prior order (G.O.G. of 8th August 1851) is referred to, the former being in continuance of the latter. Under this explanation, solicits that Government will recognize the two orders to be in force under this Presidency, and that the Board may be allowed to make them public in their Circular orders.	20th June	18th July, 15.	
Minute thereon	17th July	16.	

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MILITARY BOARD—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. States that the bill for Rs. 64-5-3 submitted by Lieutenant Wyld for three tarpaulins supplied to him by the Commissary of Ordnance at Vizapapatam on account of the Koinjurah and Sohumpore road, should be charged to that road.	31st July	15th Aug., 7.	N.N.
Minute thereon	10th Aug.	8.	
Do.—Represents the desirability of the Chief Engineer on his tour of inspection examining and reporting upon all the works under construction at the Neilgherries.	15th Aug.	22nd Aug., 19.	
Minute thereon	19th ,,	20.	
Do.—Submits register of bills passed in the Revenue Department for works executed in the department of buildings and repairs for the quarter ending 31st July 1854.	1st Sept.	19th Sept., 19.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	20.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 285-2-5 for repairing the Toll office at Cochrane's basin.	12th Sept.	23.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	24.	
Letter from the —. Recommends that the order of Government of India, dated 8th August 1851, may, like that of the 20th July 1853, be extended to Madras with a view of giving the subordinate grades connected with the Public Works of this Presidency the advantages enjoyed by similar grades in Bengal.	4th Aug.	10th Oct., 14.	N.N.
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	9th Oct.	16.	
Do.—Forwards a statement of the probable expenditure on account of new buildings, improvements and additions for the year 1854-55, with certain observations as to the manner in which it has been prepared.	9th Aug.	17th Oct., 1.	R. G. L., 5th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 7.
Do.—In compliance with Minutes of Consultation, dated 13th April last, submits two statements prepared in the revised forms of the probable expenditure for the year 1854-55 on account of new buildings and additions, alterations or improvements to existing ones; also forwards their first despatch on the subject of the budget.	3rd Oct.	7.	Do.
Do.—Retransmits, after revision, the statements of expenditure on account of Public Works in the Madras Presidency for the year 1854.	9th ,,	8.	Do.
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	11th ,,	9.	Do.
Do.—Intimates that Lieutenant-Colonel Henderson, C. B., Superintending Engineer, Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, has requested to be furnished with a copy of the second report of the Public Works Commissioners.	12th ,,	24.	N.N.
Order.—Government direct that a copy of the second report of the Public Works Commission be forwarded to the Military Board for the use of the Superintending Engineer, Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.	—	25.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction a bill amounting to Rs. 2,604-13-2 being the pay of extra workmen employed in the Arsenal for making up tools to replace those issued to different districts.	13th ,,	24th Oct., 16.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	17.	

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MILITARY BOARD—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction a bill amounting to Rs. 438-11-2 for renewing the roof of the Surveyor's room and Stamping department of the Land Custom House at Madras.	17th Oct.	14th Nov., 7.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	4th Nov.	8.	
Letter from the —. Forwards register of bills passed in the Revenue Department for works executed in the department of buildings and repairs for the quarter ending 31st October 1854.	27th "	5th Dec., 12.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	5th Dec., 13.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction a bill amounting to Rs. 111-0-8 for renewing the lower and upper porch in front of the office of the Board of Public Works in the Fort.	30th Nov.	19th Dec., 5.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	14th Dec.	6.	
Letter from the —. Requests that application may be made to the Government of the North-Western Provinces for 50 copies of the Professional papers published by them for the purpose of being distributed.	17th Oct.	34.	N.N.
Order.—Government observe that 18 copies of the Professional papers printed at the Roorkee College were already furnished by the Government of the North-Western Provinces and distributed to the Chief and Civil Engineers, to the Military Board and Board of Revenue, Department of Public Works, to the Superintendent of Roads, and to other officers at this Presidency, and they now resolve to obtain from that Government a further supply of 32 copies of all such papers printed at the Roorkee College, as well as of "Papers prepared for the use of the Thomason, Civil Engineering College, Roorkee, for distribution through the Board of Revenue in the Department of Public Works to the Collectors and Engineer officers.	—	35.	
MINUTES OF CONSULTATION, POLITICAL, PUBLIC, MILITARY, COMMERCIAL, FINANCIAL, MARINE, ECCLESIASTICAL, SECRET AND LAW DEPARTMENTS.			
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General stating that the Officer Commanding the Centre Division has been instructed to convene a District Court-martial at Vellore for the trial of Private I. Lawrence, an Assistant Overseer in the Road department, and to direct Lieutenant Chauncy, Assistant Superintendent of Roads, to attend the Court-martial as Prosecutor.	1st Feb.	7th Feb., 7.	
Order.—Communicated to the Superintendent of Roads.	4th "	8.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a paper from the Adjutant-General with a view, as therein requested, to the Superintendent of Roads being instructed to direct Lieutenant Tireman and Corporal Kelly	2nd "	9.	

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MINUTES OF CONSULTATION, POLITICAL, &c., DEPARTMENTS—*cont.*		1854.	
to proceed to Vellore in order to Corporal Kelly's being brought to trial before the District Court-martial about to be assembled at that station for the trial of Assistant Overseer Lawrence, and also to forward to the Adjutant-General whatever documents may be required.			
Order.—Communicated to the Superintendent of Roads.	4th Feb.	7th Feb., 10.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Referring copy of a letter from the Quartermaster-General stating that great advantage would be derived if Government would publish a Government Order directing all public officers connected with the Road department to communicate to the Quartermaster-General all changes in roads, such as the opening or closing of a line, the erection or abandonment of a bungalow, &c., and suggesting that a written request to this effect may be made to the Commissioner in Mysore and other authorities who are not subject to the Government of this Presidency.	19th Jan.	17.	
Minute thereon	—	18.	
Do.—Communicating letter from the Adjutant-General stating that as three officers have been already withdrawn from the Artillery in excess of the number allowed by Regulation, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief deems it undesirable to withdraw any more, and that, under these circumstances, Lieutenant Thompson cannot be spared for employment under Captain Rundall.	9th Feb.	14th Feb., 23.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	24.	
Do.—Communicating a letter from the Adjutant-General of the Army placing the services of thirteen non-commissioned officers and privates under the orders of the Board of Revenue for employment on certain roads. Intimating that the number of Overseers required will be allotted as soon as rolls are received, and stating that another non-commissioned officer or private will be appointed as Assistant Overseer on the Bellary roads *vice* Gunner Lyne permitted to resign.	14th Feb.	24th Feb., 5.	
Order.—Communicated for the information of the Board of Public Works and Superintendent of Roads.	18th „	6.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Referring letter from the Adjutant-General recommending that Sergeant Kennedy of the Sappers and Miners, now employed as an Assistant Overseer in the Public Works Department, may be permitted to return to his Corps for re-appointment to the office of Instructor in surveying, drawing and estimating.	15th „	18.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Board of Public Works with instructions to return Sergeant H. Kennedy to his Corps for the purpose specified. The question of allowing Sergeant Kennedy a staff salary while with his Corps, will be disposed of in the Military Department.	21st „	19.	

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MINUTES OF CONSULTATION, POLITICAL, &c., DEPARTMENTS—*cont.*		1854.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Forwarding a letter from the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, and recommending that the request of Captain O'Grady, 34th Regiment, Light Infantry, to be permitted to resign his appointment of Superintendent of Roads about to be constructed from Bellary to Kurnool and to Hyderabad, may be complied with, and that Captain Owen of the 11th Regiment, Native Infantry, may be nominated for the duty in lieu.	20th Feb.	24th Feb., 40.	
Order.—Authorized accordingly	—	41.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Military Board on the subject of the Warrant grades in the Department of Public Works of this Presidency.	7th Dec.	14th Mar., 18.	
Minute thereon	—	19.	
Do.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General requesting, under the circumstances explained, that the Officer Commanding the Centre Division may be furnished with the original documents connected with the charges against Corporal Kelly of the Sappers and Assistant Overseer in the Road department.	10th Mar.	51.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 2.
Order.—Communicated to the Superintendent of Roads with a request that he will supply the original documents required by the Adjutant-General. The Superintendent of Roads will observe that the documents forwarded with his letter of the 10th January as original, are represented to be attested copies.	—	52.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating a letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of a despatch from the Honourable Court of Directors regarding an augmentation of the Engineer corps at the three Presidencies, with transcript of a letter to the Adjutant-General of the Army showing what steps have been taken in the matter under the Bengal Presidency.	18th Mar.	7th Apr., 14.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	31st „	15.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Deputy Adjutant-General reporting the names of certain officers whose services are available for the superintendence of road works in the Bellary district.	7th April	12th Apr., 5.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	10th „	6.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Authorizing Overseers and Surveyors in the Department of Public Works to purchase tents from the Government Stores on the same rules as are laid down for officers.	1st „	21st Apr., 26.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Revenue in the Department of Public Works and to Superintendent of Roads.	—	27.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Financial (Railway) Department.—Approving of the site selected for a bridge across the Poiney river near Trivellum, and the arrangements proposed for providing for the ordinary traffic of the country, so long as a single	21st April	2nd May, 15.	

	Date of Letter.	Date of Minutes of Consultation and Number.	Date of General Letter to Honourable Court.
MINUTES OF CONSULTATION, POLITICAL, &c., DEPARTMENTS—*cont.* line of rails is found sufficient across the bridge, which will now be under taken by the Railway Company and not the Road department.		1854.	
Order.—Communicated to the Superintendent of Roads.	24th April	2nd May, 16.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army stating that under paragraph 17 of G.O.C.C., dated 6th July 1853, the claim of Lieutenant Thornton, Assistant Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, to the reward of Rs. 1,000 for passing in two Native languages is inadmissible.	9th June	13th June, 26.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	—	27.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating a letter from the Adjutant-General of the Army stating that the Provincial Commander-in-Chief is willing to prevent Lieutenants Farewell and Grove of 3rd Madras European Regiment to remain in the Department of Public Works until replaced by qualified officers of other regiments, &c.	10th June	28.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works with a request that they will report when either of these officers can be spared for Regimental duty as the Provincial Commander-in-Chief considers it necessary that sooner or later they should join their regiments for a time.	—	29.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Public Department.—Appointing Lieutenant A. Chauncey to officiate as Deputy Superintendent of Electric Telegraph *vice* Mr. Brunton proceeding on duty to Calcutta, and desiring that Lieutenant Chauncey will make arrangements for taking charge of the department drawing as pay and allowance Rs. 500 per mensem with Rs. 5 per day travelling allowance to be charged to the Telegraph Department. Observing that the officer who may be deputed to undertake Lieutenant Chauncey's duties in the Road department will receive the full pay of the office of Assistant to the Superintendent of Roads.	13th June	30.	
Order.—Recorded	—	31.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating a letter from the Adjutant-General of the Army intimating that arrangements have been made for proving medical aid to the road gangs at Bellary.	26th June	27th June, 18.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	—	19.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Referring copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General requesting that Private Patrick Neill of the 2nd European Light Infantry, an Assistant Overseer on the Ghooty roads, may be ordered to rejoin his regiment temporarily for the purpose of giving evidence in the further investigation of an attempt to murder which took place in November 1853.	6th July	11th July, 1.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	7th „	2.	

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MINUTES OF CONSULTATION, POLITICAL, &c., DEPARTMENTS—*cont.*		1854.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating a letter from the Deputy Adjutant-General of the Army reporting that 2nd Corporal W. Campbell, No. 143 of the Sappers and Miners, is available for employment in the Road department.	7th July	11th July, 13.	
Order. — Communicated to the Superintendent of Roads and the Department of Public Works.	10th „	14.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Referring copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General stating that the Provincial Commander-in-Chief considers the present system of withdrawing so many officers and men for employment in the Department of Public Works to have an injurious effect on the discipline of the European portion of the Army, and suggesting certain remedial measures.	4th „	18th July, 20.	
Minute thereon	—	21.	
Do.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General stating that the Officer Commanding Sappers and Miners has been instructed to give the works on the new line of road from Mercara to Periambaddy as much of his supervision as the nature of his other duties will admit also to detach some sappers to superintend the road-working parties.	18th Aug.	29th Aug., 27.	
A letter addressed to the Commissioner of Coorg.	26th „	28.	
Do.—Referring copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General requesting to be informed for what further period Schoolmaster-Sergeant Archer's services will be required under the orders of the Department of Public Works; and if, for an indefinite time, that the Sergeant may be required to make his election between his present temporary duties and his permanent situation in the Corps of Artillery.	1st Sept.	12th Sept., 7.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works, who will report on the reference made at an early date.	7th „	8.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General forwarding correspondence from Brigadier Bell, Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, and stating with reference thereto that it has been intimated to the Brigadier that the Commander-in-Chief approves of his having ordered Private (Assistant Overseer) Neill to proceed to Bellary to give evidence in a murder case.	5th „	18.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	9th „	19.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Observing that the rule withholding good conduct pay from men not doing Regimental duty has been repeated in a despatch from the Government of India, and that nothing further can therefore be done upon the subject.	8th „	20.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	11th „	21.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Referring to the Department of Public Works a letter from the Military Board for the purpose of ascertaining whether the services of Lieutenant	9th „	19th Sept., 7.	

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MINUTES OF CONSULTATION, POLITICAL, &c., DEPARTMENTS—*cont.*		1854.	
Smith, Assistant to the Superintending Engineer at Secunderabad, are required in that department.			
Order.—As it is believed extensive barracks are about to be erected at Hyderabad, requesting the Superintending Engineer to state whether he will not, in the event of their being commenced, require the services of Lieutenant Smith.	16th Sept.	19th Sept., 8.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Public Department.—Authorizing the Military Board to enter in the budget for 1855–56 the estimates for the extension and protection of the Sea Beach north of Clive's Battery.	7th Nov.	14th Nov., 46.	
Order.—Recorded	—	47.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General stating that there is no objection to Assistant Overseer Archer being allowed to remain in the Department of Public Works retaining his rank of Sergeant in the Artillery, and that His Excellency has therefore instructed the Brigadier Commandant of Artillery to remove Assistant Overseer Archer from his staff appointment of Schoolmaster-Sergeant.	13th Nov.	48.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	—	49.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Forwarding a letter from the Officer Commanding the 5th Regiment, Native Infantry, and, under circumstances therein represented, requesting that the services of Lieutenant Phillips of that regiment may be placed at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief.	14th Nov.	21st Nov., 9.	
Order.—The services of Lieutenant Phillips of the 5th Regiment, Native Infantry, replaced at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief.	—	10.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating to the Military Board a letter from the Collector of Coimbatore, and with reference thereto desiring that the practice of using elephants and camels on the public roads on the Neilgherry Hills may be immediately discontinued.	14th Nov.	28th Nov., 3.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Revenue ...	24th „	4.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating an extract from the Honourable Court's Despatch confirming, under circumstances represented, the employment of Lieutenants Barber, Hamilton and Mackintosh in the Department of Public Works, but upon condition that these officers pass the required examination in Hindustanee within twelve months from this time.	21st „	5.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Board of Public Works and to the Superintendent of Roads for communication to the officers concerned.	24th „	6.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Sanctioning the transfer of Gunner D. Kennedy of the 1st Battalion Artillery to the Sappers and Miners as a 2nd Corporal.	21st „	7.	
Order.—Communicated to the Board of Public Works.	24th „	8.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Military Board stating that prior to the receipt of	1st Dec.	12th Dec., 18.	

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MINUTES OF CONSULTATION, POLITICAL, &c., DEPARTMENTS—*cont.*		1854.	
Minutes of Consultation, dated 14th November last, they had directed the use of camels and elephants connected with the Public Works Department to cease on the passes to the Neilgherry Hills. *Order.*—Communicated to the Board of Revenue ...	—	12th Dec., 19.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Financial Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Government of India transmitting copy of a despatch from the Honourable Court acquiescing in the suggestion of the Supreme Government to extend the limit of expenditure from the annual resources, on any new public works, without previous sanction to the sum of Rs. 25,000 in respect to the local Governments, and to Rs. 1,00,000 in respect of the Government of India.	1st Dec.	20.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	21.	
Extract from Minutes of Consultation, Military Department.—Communicating copy of a letter from the Military Board submitting replies from the Commissary-General and Executive Engineer, Neilgherries, on the subject of employing camels and elephants on the passes to the Neilgherry Hills, and suggesting that the use of these animals be discontinued, and that the Public Works Department on the hills be enjoined to open new roads, improve the present lines of communication, and diminish the cost of conveyance.	29th Nov.	19th Dec., 50.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	51.	
MYSORE.			
Letter to the Commissioner of —. Forwarding copy of a letter from the Quartermaster-General of the Army, and requesting that half-yearly statements may be furnished to his office showing the changes in the Road department of the nature described.	—	7th Feb., 19.	
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NELLORE.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits, for the approval of Government, a letter from the Acting Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, recommending the formation of two important lines of road, each of 115 miles between the interior of Cuddapah and the coast, one by Doornala Pass and the other by the Nundy Cunnama Pass and Cumbum to the salt-pans at Chinna Ganjam, estimated at two lacs of rupees in addition to the amounts already sanctioned for the two passes. States that the Board are awaiting the nomination of more Executive officers by Government, and that, for the proper superintendence of the people during the scarcity on the lines of road in contemplation, two officers and sixteen Assistant Overseers will be required, and that their pay for one year will amount to Rs. 16,110.	9th Jan.	27th Jan., 42.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 7.
Do.—Submits with reference to the Board's letter, dated 9th January 1854, a letter from the Collector	16th „	43.	Do.

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NELLORE—*cont.*		1854.	
of — relative to employment being provided for the general population on account of scarcity. Minute thereon	—	27th Jan., 44.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 7.
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, estimating Rs. 750 per mile as the probable expense of constructing the roads from Kistnapatam and Kotapatam in — to the interior of Cuddapah by the Raupoor ghaut, and observing that the total length of these roads is reckoned at 99 miles to Chitwel, and 9 or 10 from thence to the Madras and Cuddapah road. States that as it is difficult to procure officers for the effective superintendence of this distance, it would be advisable at first to undertake the line to Kistnapatam or Kotapatam, at an annual outlay, for one officer and five Assistant Overseers of Rs. 5,895, or if the whole, two officers and eight Assistant Overseers at Rs. 10,350.	9th Feb.	14th Mar., 27.	Do.
Order.—Government concur with the Board that only one of the branch roads from the coast of — through the Raupoor ghaut into Cuddapah should at first be undertaken, and observe that they are inclined to give the preference to the line from Kistnapatam, but will leave this point for the Board to decide.	—	28.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure upon roads and bridges in — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 1,649–3–6.	27th April	16th May, 5.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits correspondence on the subject of the proposed communications between the Chitwel talook of Cuddapah by the Raupoor ghaut and the Nellore coast, and recommends that the line from the Raupoor ghaut to Goodoor may be authorized. States that Lieutenant Walker proposes an outlay of Rs. 1,000 per mile for the Ootkoor, Raupoor and Goodoor road, 56 miles, with an addition of Rupees 9,000 for 9 miles of ghaut or hilly ground. Recommends that the Executive officer and four Assistant Overseers applied for before may be appointed, and intimates that two other officers are required in the 2nd Division.	27th April	23rd May, 9.	
Minute thereon	20th May	10.	
Do.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure in the construction and repair of Civil buildings in — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 14,848–5–0.	27th April	30th May, 3.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	27th May	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 753–6–5 for the construction of two additional salt platforms at Kistnapatam in the — district.	29th June	18th July, 1.	
Order.—Sanctioned	13th July	2.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — with the recommendation of the	3rd Aug.	29th Aug., 8.	

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NELLORE—*cont.*		1854.	
Board that in lieu of the amount of Rs. 245-8-0 sanctioned for a second boat for the Ooppoopair near Voovuldama, sanction may be granted for two other boats amounting to Rs. 199-11-4.			
Minute thereon	25th Aug.	23th Aug. 9.	
Letter from the Collector of —. States, with reference to Lieutenant Marshall's complaint of the want of aid on the part of the Vencatagherry zemindar in supplying materials required for the road works, that he has written to the zemindar and expects that he will afford his assistance for the future.	5th „	33.	
Order.—Recorded	—	34.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of —, and, under the explanation therein afforded, requests that sanction may be granted for two boats required at the two points where the Masulipatam and Hyderabad roads are intersected by the Goondlacumma river at a cost of Rupees 199-11-4.	5th Oct.	24th Oct., 12.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	13.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, and observes that the additional amount required for the Nellore and Cuddapah road has been entered in the budget list No. 1 forwarded to Government on the 7th ultimo. Authorizing, should the Collector consider it necessary still to employ the distressed people on this road, that the work be continued under the orders already given by Government.	19th Oct.	31st Oct., 8.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 30.
Order.—Government request that the Board will inform them of the opinion of the Collector as to the necessity of continuing these roads for the purpose of giving employment to the distressed population. Observes that it is believed that abundant rain has fallen in the — district, and that Government doubt whether the necessity can now exist, and whether the continued employment of the ryots at this season will not interfere with the cultivation; also that it is not the intention of Government that the road work should entirely cease, but that it seems inexpedient to carry it on on the scale mentioned by the Civil Engineer whereby an average of 6,800 persons are daily employed on it.	27th „	9.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits an occasional estimate for clearing out the Bhavanasy tank in the Dewagoodoor talook of the district of —, and recommends that as the repairs are required to ensure the supply of water for troops, &c., sanction may be granted for the amount, viz., Rs. 351.	19th „	19.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	28th „	20.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Acting Collector of — reporting the necessity of the continued employment of the indigent population upon the road; also forwards copy of letter from the Civil	20th „	14th Nov., 22.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 30.

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NELLORE—*cont.*		1854.	
Engineer, 2nd Division, on the subject of the excess of expenditure on the Nellore and Cuddapah line of road, and, under the circumstances represented, the Board trust that the continued employment of the poor upon the road in question may be authorized.			
Order.—Government observe that the increased expenditure on the Nellore and Cuddapah roads estimated at Rs. 1,10,000 has been included in the budget for 1854–55, and that no orders can be given till the decision of the Government of India shall be made known; in the meantime such work as it may be absolutely necessary to continue for the purpose of affording livelihood to the suffering population may be proceeded with, but Government are inclined to believe that the amount really required on this account must be trifling in consequence of the late favourable turn in the season. Government desire that the Acting Collector will be careful not to encourage the ryots to neglect their cultivation for work on these roads, and observe that for this purpose he should regulate the rates of hire so as to admit of labour on these roads only affording a subsistence to the coolies.	11th Nov.	14th Nov., 23.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction a supplemental occasional estimate amounting to Rs. 6,826-10-0 for completing the bridge across the Beerapairoo river near Sungum in the — district, and states that the cause of the excess is owing to a change of site and the badness of the soil, as well as to the great want of efficient Native superintendence and to the unskilled labour which it was necessary to employ during the scarcity.	9th Oct.	21st Nov., 1.	23rd Apri[l] 1855, 4, p. 25.
Minute thereon	16th Nov.	2.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for information a letter from the Acting Collector of — reporting that about 2 000 people may be employed on the roads.	23rd „	5th Dec., 10.	8th Jun[e] 1855, 5, p. 30.
Order.—Recorded	—	11.	
Letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division.—Submits observations on the projects set forth in Minutes of Consultation, dated 28th September last, as regards the division under his charge.	16th Nov.	12th Dec., 14.	
Order.—Recorded	—	15.	
NORTHERN CIRCARS.			
Letter from the Commissioner of —. Submits his opinion on the complaint made by the hereditary boatmen of the Rajahmundry ferry against the Navigation Company (recently established) which run steam and paddle boats in opposition to them, and suggests certain measures for adoption in the matter.	24th Aug.	3rd Oct., 11.	23rd Apri[l] 1855, 4, p. 16.
Minute thereon	—	12.	
Do.—Transmits for orders a proposition from the Collector of Rajahmundry for the repair of the Rajahnuggrum choultry from the surplus funds of the choultries of Vantimamedy and Peddapoor.	20th Oct.	28th Nov., 9.	Do., p. 3[illegible]
Minute thereon	25th Nov.	10	

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NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES.		1854.	
Letter from the Government of —. Requests to be furnished with a statement showing the sources from which the dâk and staging bungalows with their establishments are maintained within the Madras districts, also with a memorandum of the ordinary establishment attached to each bungalow.	28th Mar.	21st Apr., 18.	
Letter to the Government of —. Stating that there are no sources from which the dâk bungalows with their establishment are maintained within the Madras Presidency; that it has not been the custom to make any charge to travellers for the occupation of public bungalows; that at stations where there are many travellers, an establishment is maintained, that at less frequented stations, only one sepoy is kept; and that the entire cost of establishment and repair is a charge on the Government.	20th April	19.	
Letter from the Government of —. Acknowledging receipt of 10 copies of the proceedings of the Madras Government on the first report of the Committee on Public Works, and requesting to be furnished with copies of the report itself.	29th „	30th May, 8.	
Letter to the Government of —. Informing that one copy of the first report of the Public Works Commissioners was forwarded in April 1853, and that, owing to the limited number of copies which had been printed, Government are unable to meet the wishes of the Lieutenant Governor, but will bear them in mind when the second edition issues from the Press.	29th May	9.	
Do.—Requesting to be furnished, for the use of the Board of Public Works, with 18 copies each of the works prepared for the use of the Civil Engineering College, Roorkee.	11th Nov.	14th Nov., 24.	
Do.—Requesting that, if available, this Government may be supplied with 32 additional copies of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of the Professional papers printed at the Civil Engineering College, Roorkee, and that in future 50 instead of 18 copies of all such papers printed at the Roorkee College as well as of "Papers prepared for the use of the Thomason Civil Engineering College, Roorkee," may be supplied.	—	19th Dec., 36.	N.N.
Letter from the Government of —. Intimating the despatch of 8 additional copies of No. 1 of the Professional papers printed at the Civil Engineering College Press at Roorkee.	14th Nov.	Diary after Cons., 19th Dec., 47.	
Order.—The books forwarded to the Board of Public Works for distribution to the Civil Engineers in this Presidency.	—	48.	
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OOTACAMUND.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter with an estimate from the Acting Civil Engineer, 7th Division, and recommends that sanction may be granted for the amount required for the ordinary repair and	14th Dec.	19th Dec., 41.	25th April 1855, 4, p. 2.

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OOTACAMUND—*cont.*		1854.	
improvement of the Conoor and Kotagherry road and and the roads in and about Kotagherry, viz., Rupees 4,000.			
Order.—Sanctioned	—	19th Dec., 42.	
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PETITIONS.			
Letter from P. Vencata Reddy, Contractor of Cocanada Lattice Bridge in Rajahmundry.—Forwards, for transmission to the Honourable Court, a memorial in triplicate praying, under the circumstances represented, for compensation for the losses which he has sustained on account of the contract of the Cocanada Lattice bridge, or that he may be allowed to return the same which had been advanced for the bridge provided that the work is called his own.	9th Jan.	24th Feb., 32.	30th Oct. 1854, 15, p. 5.
Minute thereon	—	33.	
PRESIDENT.			
Minute by the Right Honourable the —. Proposing that Mr. William Harrington be employed in the Department of Public Works in the superintendence of the Tinnevelly Cotton roads.	27th Jan.	27th Jan., 48.	
Minute thereon	—	49.	
Do.—Observes that so far as he is personally concerned, he has no objection to the Chief Engineer's request to print such documents as may appear necessary for the defence of certain charges being now acceded to; but viewed as a public question does not think that the orders which may be shortly expected either from the Government of India, or the Home authorities should be anticipated, and is of opinion that that would not only be done by granting the Chief Engineer the permission he applies for, but that a very objectionable precedent would be established.	19th Jan.	14th Feb., 6.	10th Feb. 1854, 1, p. 5.
Do.—Observes that the only part of the memorial from Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton to the Honourable Court complaining of the publication of the minutes of the — with the proceedings of Government on the first report of the Public Works Commission which calls for any reply from him is to explicitly repudiate the idea that Government have made any appeal to the public in having printed these documents as surmised by Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton. States that such an idea never entered the mind of his Honourable Colleagues or himself; that as the report had been prematurely forced before the world to suit a particular object, it appeared requisite that the refutation should be equally extensively circulated, and on that account it was printed; that it has not been yet made public by authority, and that it will not be done pending orders from the Government of India or the Honourable Court.	20th "	8.	Do.
Do.—Observes that the memorial from Lieutenant-Colonel Cotton, Chief Engineer, to the Honourable Court, bringing to notice the proceedings of Government with respect to certain Engineer officers	21st "	10.	Do.

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PRESIDENT—*cont.* who had memorialised against being superseded by an officer of the Native Infantry, will immediately be sent to its address; and that the Honourable Court having expressed their sentiments in a recent despatch on the *alleged* supersession, the prohibition of the promotion of the former, who memorialised, to a higher grade is at an end, and records observations on the allegation made in the Chief Engineer's memorial as to its being a "common right" for officers to communicate with him personally as Governor.		1854.	
Minute thereon	10th Feb.	14th Feb., 13.	
Minute by the Right Honourable the —. States reasons in justification of his having appointed Captain Greenlaw of the 46th Regiment, Native Infantry, to the Assistant Secretaryship in the Department of Public Works.	23rd "	24th Feb., 43.	24th Feb. 1854, 2, p. 4.
Note by the Right Honourable the —. Concurs in the remarks of the Honourable Mr. Thomas as to the utter uselessness and ignorance of the Board of Public Works. Thinks that they have no opinion, and that they adopt the *last* that is tendered to them. Observes that the Civil Engineer's reasons for an entire change in the line of road between Cuddalore and Salem may be cogent, but that they should have been thought of before, and agrees with the Honourable Mr. Thomas that the Board should be admonished seriously.	13th "	21st Mar., 10.	
Do.—Agrees with the Honourable Mr. Elliot's views regarding the new line of road last proposed by the Board of Public Works between Cuddalore and Salem, but in sanctioning the alteration he would wish the Board to be told that he places no faith in their recommendations which are just as likely to be erroneous as good.	20th "	12.	
Minute thereon	20th Mar.	14.	
Minute by the Right Honourable the —. Proposing the appointment of Captain W. H. Watts of the 5th Regiment, Native Infantry, to be temporarily employed as Executive officer under the orders of the Board of Revenue in the Department of Public Works.	6th April	7th Apr., 25.	
Minute thereon	—	26.	
Do.—On the subject of low-speed railways	26th Nov. 1853.	2nd May, 2.	9th Jan. 1855, 1.
Do.— Do. do.	16th Jan.	5.	
Minute thereon	24th April	9.	
Do.—Thinks that the survey of a line for the low-speed railway from Negapatam to Trichinopoly might be executed, without occupying Major Lawford's valuable services, which are required on important works elsewhere. Observes that Lieutenant Tyrrell is perhaps the most fitted in this Presidency for the works from his experience in railway surveying, and, as he is at hand, that he should be directed to place himself in readiness for that duty. Is aware that Lieutenant Tyrrell is under orders to join his regiment in Pegu, but as the	9th June	13th June, 17.	

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PRESIDENT—*cont.*		1854.	
completion of low-speed railway is considered of great importance, urges the advisability of retaining his services for the purpose.			
Minute thereon	12th June	13th June, 18.	
Minute by the Right Honourable the —. Proposes that the services of Captain Henry John Anderson of the 34th Regiment, Light Infantry, and Lieutenant William Robert Johnson of the 39th Regiment, Native Infantry, be placed at the disposal of the Superintendent of Roads.	13th "	24.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	25.	
Do.—Proposing the appointment of Ensign Alexander Charles Hay of the 50th Regiment, Native Infantry, to be employed in the Canara district under the orders of the Superintendent of Roads.	15th July	18th July, 18.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	19.	
Do.—Proposes that the report submitted by the Chief Engineer and other officers on the prosecution of public works in the Madras Presidency be printed and copies of the maps which accompanied it be attached to the printed reports. Recommends that, whilst the estimates for the public works for the year is in progress of formation, a more comprehensive estimate should also be made, which include all large works which on mature consideration it should be deemed advisable to forward for general sanction.	17th July	3rd Oct., 2.	
Minute thereon	28th Sept.	4.	
Do.—Proposing the appointment of Lieutenant V. Law of the 14th Regiment, Native Infantry, to be Executive officer under the orders of the Board of Revenue in the Department of Public Works and to be in charge of certain roads in the district of Canara.	—	10th Oct., 18.	
Minute thereon	—	19.	
Do.—On the recommendation of Captain Johnston, proposes the appointment of Mr. E. Ricketts to be Assistant to the Superintendent of Roads and to be employed on the line from Oolundoorpett to Trichinopoly with a salary of Rs. 250 per mensem.	23rd Nov.	28th Nov., 16.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	17.	
PUBLIC WORKS.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits progress reports of important works for the third quarter of the current year in the districts of this Presidency.	12th Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 28.	N.N.
Order.—To be recorded	—	29.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits general statements of actual and estimated expenditure on the — of this Presidency for the year 1851, with observations thereon, and on the subject of the relative cost of superintendence.	5th Dec. 1853.	13th Jan., 6.	20th Oct. 1854, 14.
Minute thereon	—	7.	
Do.—Recommends that certain men of the Horse and Foot Artillery may be posted as temporary Assistant Overseers to the roads proposed to be opened in Bellary, Cuddapah and Nellore, and suggests that if changes have taken place in the former stations	9th Jan.	27th Jan., 23.	N.N.

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of men, the Adjutant-General may be requested to direct the men to the nearest parts of their present stations and to supply fresh men in lieu of any that may not now be available.			
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department in view to the men required for road superintendence being detached to the places named by the Board of Revenue.	25th Jan.	27th Jan., 24.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Recommends that certain men of the Artillery may be posted as Assistant Overseers to the proposed roads in the Kurnool district, and states that as there are no more names on the roll furnished to their department, the Adjutant-General may be requested to nominate three additional Assistant Overseers from the most convenient stations for the Kurnool roads.	9th "	25.	N.N.
Order.—Application made through the Military Department for the services of the men required by the Board of —.	25th "	26.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces during the month of August last.	5th Dec. 1853.	29.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	30.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces during the month of September last.	22nd Dec. 1853.	33.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	34.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a letter from Mr W. Harrington offering himself for employment in the Department of —, and recommends that he may be nominated to the Tinnevelly Cotton roads as an Executive officer on a salary of Rs. 250 monthly out of the sanctioned estimate.	19th Jan.	47.	
Minute thereon	—	49.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, with the recommendation of the Board that Gunner Lyne may be permitted to resign the temporary appointment of Assistant Overseer and that another non-commissioned officer or private may be appointed in his room.	25th Jan.	50.	N.N.
Order.—Gunner Lyne permitted to resign the temporary appointment of Assistant Overseer and application made through the Military Department for another non-commissioned officer or private in his room.	—	51.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in several districts in this Presidency during the month of October 1853.	23rd Jan.	14th Feb., 25.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	26.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Recommending that the Adjutant-General may be requested to nominate Sergeants McDonald and McDonough of the Artillery at Bellary as	20th Feb.	24th Feb., 30.	N.N.

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PUBLIC WORKS—*cont.* temporary Assistant Overseers to the Kurnool roads in lieu of Gunner Lyne who has been permitted to resign his appointment.		1854.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department in view that, if there be no objection, the request of the Board of Revenue may be complied with.	—	24th Feb., 31.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Requests that Quartermaster-Sergeant Smith of the 42nd Regiment, Native Infantry, may be posted as a temporary Assistant Overseer on the Russulcondah and Koinjuroo road.	20th Feb.	38.	N.N.
Order.—Application made through the Military Department to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for the services of Quartermaster-Sergeant Smith for employment in the Department of —.	—	39.	N.N.
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Recommends that Captain Watts of the 5th Regiment, Native Infantry, may be appointed to the Bellary Sub-division unless one has been nominated by the Commander-in-Chief.	16th Feb.	14th Mar., 13.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. States, with reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 16th instant, that as an officer has been nominated by the Officer Commanding Ceded Districts for the executive charge of the Bangalore and Kurnool road in the sub-division of Bellary, Captain Watts if appointed to the department may be employed upon other duty.	20th „	14.	
Minute thereon	7th Mar.	15.	
Do.—Recommends that Gunner R. Wilkinson of the 3rd Battalion Artillery may, if available, be placed at the disposal of the Board as a temporary Assistant Overseer for employment on the Cuddalore and Salem road.	6th „	16.	N.N.
Order.—Application made through the Military Department to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.	10th „	17.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for the repair and construction of Civil buildings in certain districts, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 22,641-6-11.	2nd Feb.	20.	
Minute thereon	—	21.	
Do.—Explains cause of delay in the submission of the Civil Engineer's reports upon the more important works executed in 1851, and states that as some of the reports for 1852 have been received, it would be advisable to wait for the remaining reports and submit them with those of 1851.	16th Feb.	41.	10th Aug. 1854, 11, p. 1.
Order.—Under the circumstances represented, observes that it will be better that the reports for 1851 and 1852 should be laid before Government simultaneously; and that the excuses offered for the delay in complying with the requisition of Government in this matter cannot, it is presumed, be considered sufficient by the Board, for Government cannot understand that there should, in the beginning of 1854, be any difficulty in reporting on works performed in 1851. The Board desired to name a date within	—	42.	

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which the returns of the Civil Engineers should reach their office, and notify to Government the name of any Engineer who may fail to furnish them complete within the time specified.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submitting for sanction estimates for constructing ferry boats, bridges, and repairing roads in the districts of Nellore, Malabar and Tinnevelly, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 4,744-10-0.	30th Jan.	21st Mar., 1.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Minute thereon	—	2.	
Do.—Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces during the month of November last	23rd Feb.	30.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	31.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Recommends that Captain Watts may be employed as a temporary Executive officer in the Department of —, that officer's medical certificate having since been cancelled.	27th Mar.	7th Apr., 24.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	26.	N.N.
Do.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repair and construction of Civil buildings in certain districts, amounting to Rs. 1,847-14-0.	16th Mar.	12th Apr., 9.	
Minute thereon	—	10.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Chief Engineer, with a memorandum explanatory of his views on the subject of low-speed railways in connection with that which was proposed to be laid down between Cuddalore and Salem, with the Board's observations thereon, and states that if the Government would signify their approval of the proposed investigation of the subject, and their willingness to give consideration to definite projects, the Board will select the most suitable lines and prepare plans and estimates that may be depended upon for correctness.	10th Nov. 1853.	2nd May, 1.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 17.
Minute thereon	24th April	9.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a letter from the Acting Civil Engineer, 7th Division, reporting that Lieutenant Hamilton had left the division in anticipation of leave, and observes that, when the Civil Engineer was aware of his departure, he was bound to report the same to the Board.	6th „	35.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 39.
Minute thereon	—	36.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for the repair and construction of Civil buildings, &c., in the districts of Ganjam, Kurnool, Salem, Coimbatore and Vizagapatam, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 1,405-15-9.	1st May	23rd May, 5.	
Order.—Sanctioned	19th „	6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Recommends that Assistant Overseer Mills may be promoted to the rank of Overseer *vice* Eaton transferred, and that Gunner Riordan may be nominated an extra Assistant Overseer.	18th „	30th May, 5.	N.N.
Order.—The promotion of Assistant Overseer Mills, sanctioned, and application made to the Military Department for the services of Gunner Riordan.	27th „	6.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction bills amounting to Rs. 9,156–0–1 with an abstract statement showing the sums disbursed in each of the Collectorates under this Presidency during 1852 on account of the repair of roads and bridges under the discretionary authority vested in Collectors.	4th May	30th May, 12.	N.N.
Minute thereon	25th „	13.	
Do.—Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces during the month of December last.	27th April	20.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	21.	N.N.
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, with the recommendation of the Board that temporary Assistant Overseer Lindley's resignation may be accepted.	3rd June	6th June, 17.	N.N.
Order.—Government see no objection to the Board accepting the resignation.	—	18.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces during the month of January last.	29th May	20th June, 9.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	10.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces during the month of February last.	1st June	11.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	12.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. States that the Board have carefully considered the subject of the proposed annual budget or financial estimate for the public works in connection with the propositions of the Commissioners in their second report. Considers it advisable that the annual budget should include only works of which complete and detailed estimates have been prepared by the local officers; that if the Collector and Civil Engineer are fully agreed upon the immediate necessity for any project, and the Civil Engineer's investigations have satisfied him of its feasibility within a certain expenditure, such a project should be included in the budget for the sanction of the Government of India, with the understanding that the Local Government reserves to itself the power to proceed with or suspend the works according to the additional information supplied to it prior to the intended period of execution. Observes that by this arrangement time will be saved, and no inconvenience will arise since the special and final sanction will be entirely at the discretion of the Local Government, whose judgment, once formed upon adequate data, will take immediate effect.	29th May	27th June, 5.	
Order.—The Board desired to carry out the propositions contained in this letter, giving at the same time attention to the instructions of the Government of India in their letter of the 19th ultimo, from which	26th June	5.	

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it will be observed that the estimates for the current official year are required as soon as possible.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for repairing roads and constructing ferry boats in the districts of Kurnool, Tanjore and Ganjam, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,233-15-5.	12th June	27th June, 9.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	26th „	10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for repairing and improving Civil buildings in the districts of South Arcot, Tanjore, Coimbatore and Rajahmundry amounting to Rs. 5,574-1-1.	12th „	4th July, 3.	Do., p. 29.
Order.—Sanctioned	30th „	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits progress reports of important works for the last quarter of the past year in the districts of this Presidency with the exception of Ganjam and Masulipatam.	15th „	5.	N.N.
Minute thereon	3rd July	6.	
Do.—With reference to the order of Government, dated 8th September 1853, and to the nomination of Lieutenant Wilkieson to be Assistant to the Secretary in the Department of —, requests that sanction may be obtained for the peon applied for in letter, dated 28th July 1853.	12th June	10.	N.N.
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	—	11.	N.N.
Do.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repair and improvement of roads in the districts of Madura and Tinnevelly, amounting together to Rs. 20,717-0-7.	15th June	11th July, 7.	
Minute thereon	10th July	8.	
Do.—Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces for the month of March 1854.	26th June	15.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	16.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits comparative statement of contingent charges incurred on account of — in the provinces during the year 1853.	29th June	17.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	18.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Solicits renewed sanction for the unexpended balances of certain occasional estimates for works connected with buildings and roads, sanctioned in 1851 and in previous years and partly in 1852 in the several districts of this Presidency, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 69,550-3-1.	29th June	18th July, 3.	
Order.—Sanctioned	13th July	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. States that four Ordnance Artificers have been placed at Lieutenant Tyrrell's disposal for aiding him in the survey of the Negapatam and Trichinopoly Railway; recommends that these men may be allowed each Rs. 50 per month as in the case of those employed in the South Arcot survey, and submits the usual tabular statement for the same.	10th „	1st Aug., 7.	
Minute thereon	—	8.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits explanation on the subject of the delay in the transmission of periodical reports from Civil Engineers.	13th July	1st Aug., 9.	10th Aug. 1854, 11.
Minute thereon	—	10.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a revised tabular statement on account of the four Ordnance Artificers placed under the orders of the Superintendent of the Negapatam and Trichinopoly Railway for the survey of the line as called for in the order of Government, dated 1st instant, No. 329.	7th Aug.	22nd Aug., 1.	
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	18th "	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. States that upon further consideration of the subject of the budget of 1854–55 and the urgent call for it from the Government of India, it is advisable not to wait for the divisional estimates to be furnished by the end of September, but at once to prepare the budget from the estimates already sanctioned; also that the estimates expected in September will, under this arrangement, be entered in the budget of 1855–56; but as they are intended for execution in the working season of 1855, the Board propose to submit them in October as an instalment of the budget of 1855–56 in order that they may, if approved, be sanctioned by the end of the year. Observes that the remainder of the budget of 1855–56 will then be submitted, as already directed, so as to reach the Government of India in March 1855.	21st "	29th Aug., 20.	
Order.—Government approve of the budget for 1854–55 being submitted at once instead of waiting till September for the divisional estimates, but do not approve of any supplemental estimate for this year. The Board desired to submit their budget for 1855–56 entire, and not by instalments as they propose. On its receipt Government will be able to judge whether there are any emergent works entered which it would be desirable should be commenced in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India.	25th "	21.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for repairing and improving Civil buildings in the districts of Rajahmundry, Chingleput, Tanjore, Coimbatore and Malabar, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 8,129–11–0.	3rd "	23.	
Order.—Sanctioned	26th "	24.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits progress reports of important works for the first quarter of this year in the districts of this Presidency, with a general statement prepared agreeably to instructions from Government, and observes that the returns for Ganjam and Masulipatam are blank.	10th "	35.	
Minute thereon	—	36.	
Do.—Recommends that as the Carnatic Ordnance Artificers employed as Sub-Assistant Surveyors under Lieutenant Tyrrell are in great distress for want of	24th Aug.	39.	

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pay, an advance of Rs. 100 each of Rs. 400 in all may be granted.			
Order.—The advance sanctioned	—	29th Aug., 40.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 4th Division, enclosing extract of one from Assistant Overseer Downie complaining of the discontinuance of his good conduct pay while employed on other than Regimental duty, and recommends that as the regulation is likely to have a prejudicial effect in preventing men of the best character from volunteering for service in the Department of —, the subject may be reconsidered in the proper quarter.	24th Aug.	5th Sept., 1.	N.N.
Order.—Referred to the Military Department for consideration.	30th „	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. States that instructions were sent to the Collectors and Civil Engineers to despatch their budget for 1854-55 so as to reach the Board's office by the end of September, and requests authority for employing additional Accountants, if necessary for the examination of the estimates, to be charged for in a contingent bill. Submits explanation regarding the delay remarked upon by the Government of India and the Local Government, and states that the divisional budgets for 1855-56 will be submitted by the end of the year.	17th „	3.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 20.
Order.—Government observe that, when the Board shall have received the divisional budgets, they will be in a position to state whether they will require the aid of extra calculators, and that the reasons assigned by the Board for the delay that has occurred on their part will immediately be made known to the Government of India.	1st Sept.	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces for April 1854.	10th Aug.	8.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	9.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits the reports of the different Collectors on the roads and communications of their respective districts for the year 1853.	13th July	12th Sept., 10.	
Minute thereon	9th Sept.	11.	
Do.—Requests that an officer may be nominated in place of Lieutenant Gib who has been permitted to resign charge of the Goodoor and Ootkoor road; also that authority may be granted for the nomination of the four Assistant Overseers applied for in letter, dated 27th April last.	28th Aug.	19th Sept., 3.	
Order.—Government will shortly nominate an officer in place of Lieutenant Gib, and will intimate to the Commander-in-Chief that the services of four Assistant Overseers are much required on the Raupoor road.	16th Sept.,	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits reports from the Civil Engineers upon the important works executed in the several divisions of this Presidency during 1851 and 1852.	10th Aug.	9.	
Minute thereon	18th Sept.	10.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for the repair of Civil buildings in the districts of Ganjam, Chingleput and Malabar, amounting together to Rs. 2,108-11-8.	21st Aug.	19th Sept., 11.	
Minute thereon	18th Sept.	12.	
Do.—Submits, with reference to list No. 1 of the budget for 1854-55, copy of a letter addressed by the Chief Engineer to the Collector of South Arcot on the subject of the bridges for the Ponear and the improvement of road between Cuddalore and the Colleroon river, which are most urgently required, and an additional list for small bridges and drains for the Cuddalore and Vellar road and Paravenar bridge, reserving the estimates for the larger bridges for the budget of 1855-56.	11th ,,	21.	
Order.—Government direct that the proposed expenditure for the improvement or rather formation of the road from Cuddalore to the Vellar river be added to the list of estimates for the sanction of the Government of India in the current year.	—	22.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 7th Division, requesting that a successor to the late Lieutenant Holland may be speedily appointed, and proposing Lieutenant Brine or Babington for the post.	18th Sept.	26th Sept., 9.	N.N.
Order.—Government observe that under date the 19th instant, Captain Brine was appointed to succeed Lieutenant Holland.	23rd ,,	10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the several districts under this Presidency during May last.	14th ,,	13.	
Order.—Recorded	—	14.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for the repair of Public and Revenue buildings in the districts of Rajahmundry and Guntoor, amounting to Rupees 4,042-4-7.	18th Sept.	3rd Oct., 13.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	14.	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction statements of expenditure on Civil and Public buildings in the districts of Masulipatam and Kurnool, amounting to Rupees 24-10-2.	18th Sept.	15.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	16.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for the repair of Public and Revenue buildings in the districts of Ganjam, North Arcot and South Arcot, amounting to Rs. 1,294-15-0.	21st Sept.	17.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	18.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits general statements of actual and estimated expenditure on the — of this Presidency for the year 1852, with observations thereon, and on the subject of the relative cost of superintendence.	31st Aug.	10th Oct., 5.	20th Oct. 1854, 14.
Minute thereon	7th Oct.	6.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. States that the order of the Government of India, dated August 1851, may be beneficially applied to some members of the Overseers' Department in this Presidency, and recommends that that order may be extended to them so as to provide an allowance of Rs. 30 for the different grades employed in such locomotive duties as involve extra expenses though not requiring the maintenance of a marching equipment.	4th Sept.	10th Oct., 15.	N.N.
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	9th Oct.	16.	
Do.—Submits list No. 1 of works for execution in 1854–55 prepared agreeably to the form furnished by the Government of India containing estimates requiring the sanction of that Government, amounting to Rs. 14,89,059–15–1, of which Rs. 9,51,901,–11–0 is proposed to be expended in 1854–55, and states that list No. 2 which is wanting in some particulars to be furnished by Collectors, will be shortly submitted.	7th Sept.	17th Oct., 2.	5th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 7.
Do.—Submits list No. 2 of the budget for 1854–55, containing estimates, and amounting to Rupees 49,39,606–0–11, of which it is proposed to expend Rs. 22,87,198–8–2 in 1854–55, and states that the statement called for in the Chief Secretary's memorandum of 25th July, will be submitted as soon as possible.	11th ”	3.	Do.
Memorandum from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits an abstract of the Board's reports and of the orders of Government referring to the different times of the budget for 1854.	16th ”	4.	Do.
Do.—Forwards a revised statement exhibiting the works to be executed in each district and the proposed expenditure for the one submitted on the 14th instant.	20th ”	5.	Do.
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits with reference to Extract from Minutes of Consultation of 19th ultimo and to paragraph 3 of the Board's letter submitting list No. 1 of the budget for 1854–55, a letter from the Acting Collector of Chingleput furnishing further information regarding the road from Trivalloor to Corattoor.	21st ”	5-A.	Do.
Do.—Submits with reference to the estimate for improving the water communication between Goodoor and Kistnapatam in the Nellore district included in list No. 1 of the budget for 1854–55, a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, forwarding a memorandum received from the Collector of Nellore of the number of boats, &c., which left Kistnapatam with grain and firewood for the Madras market during the year 1853.	21st ”	6.	Do.
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	11th Oct.	9.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces during the month of June last.	25th Sept.	18.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	19.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. States with reference to the order of Government, dated 29th August last, that the progress reports therein referred to contain only works estimated at Rs. 2,000 and upwards, and that the Board will now issue instructions for a quarterly return of the expenditure on all sanctioned estimates as directed.	5th Oct.	17th Oct., 20.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	21.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits Returns of Contract Works performed in 1851 and 1852, and recommends that these returns, which occupy time and labour, and multiply correspondence with very little utility, may be discontinued.	16th Oct.	31st Oct., 21.	
Order.—Under the circumstances stated, Government consent to the discontinuance of these returns.	30th ,,	22.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits statements showing the cost of certain works of Public utility constructed during the year 1853, in the several Collectorates, and under the control of the Military Board, Superintendent of Roads and by private individuals at their own cost.	16th ,,	31.	
Order.—To be published in the Official Gazette ...	—	32.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits with reference to Minutes of Consultation, dated 7th ultimo, a letter from the Civil Engineer, 5th Division, representing that Sergeant Archer wishes to remain in the Department of — provided he can retain his rank in the strength of the Artillery, and observing that as there are many non-commissioned officers in the department who have not forfeited their Regimental rank, it is presumed that Sergeant Archer will not be made an exception.	26th Oct.	14th Nov., 1.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department...	3rd Nov.	2.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits with the recommendation of the Board of Revenue an application from the Acting Civil Engineer, 5th Division, requesting that Gunner Kennedy of the 1st Battalion Artillery may be transferred to the Sappers and Miners.	2nd ,,	20.	
Order.—Referred to the Military Department where the subject will receive the consideration.	9th ,,	21.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for repairs to Public buildings in the districts of Ganjam, Masulipatam and Tanjore, amounting together to Rupees 753-13-1.	30th Oct.	40.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	41.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Recommends that Assistant Overseer Jolliffe of the Road department may be promoted to the rank of Overseer from the date of Overseer Downe's transfer to the Survey department.	2nd Nov.	42.	
Order.—The promotion sanctioned	—	43.	

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Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Abstract statement of emergent works undertaken in the provinces for the month of July last.	2nd Nov.	14th Nov., 44.	
Order.—It will be sufficient in future that the statements of emergent works executed in the districts be submitted to Government every six months instead of monthly as at present. The Collectors will thus be relieved of the frequent preparation of this statement.	—	45.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits letters from Lieutenant Tyrrell, Assistant Civil Engineer, on the subject of the survey and construction of the proposed Negapatam and Trichinopoly Railway, and recommends that a sum of Rs. 50,000 be granted for such immediate objects as that officer thinks necessary and as the Government may approve of. Observes that, as the main points connected with the construction and cost of the railway are determined, no time should be lost in procuring with the undertaking, and requests that the requisite measures for procuring sanction for the project to the extent of Rs. 30,00,000 may be taken at an early date.	6th Nov.	5th Dec. 8.	22nd Dec., 1855, 19.
Minute thereon	—	9.	
Do.—Submits letters from the Civil Engineer, 8th Division, bringing to notice the wish of Assistant Overseer Smither to rejoin his Company of Artillery on account of his promotion being stopt while he is absent from Regimental duty, and recommends that he may be transferred to the Sappers and Miners with the rank of Second Corporal, in consideration of which he would be willing to remain in the Department of —.	4th Dec.	12th Dec., 11.	N.N.
Order.—Referred to the Military Department for consideration.	11th „	12.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits a letter from the Civil Engineer, 4th Division, informing that Overseer Downie declines to be transferred to the Sappers and Miners, and states that the Board have ordered his being relieved from duty from the 15th December 1854.	11th „	19th Dec., 16.	
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department...	16th „	17.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue in the Department of —. Submits for sanction estimates for the construction and repair of Public buildings in certain districts, amounting to Rs. 3,257-12-5.	19th Oct.	31.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 3.
Do.—States that under the instructions of the Government of India only sanctioned works are to be included in the budget list No. 2; that unless Government sanction estimates within the limit of Rs. 10,000 submitted before the preparation of the next budget they cannot, under the present rules, be entered in the budget, of which list No. 1 should contain only the works requiring the sanction of the Government of India, and list No. 2 those already sanctioned.	4th „	32.	
Minute thereon	—	33.	

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RAILWAYS.			
Letter from the Consulting Engineer for —. Submits observations on the report from the Superintendent of Roads upon the two roads which are proposed to be repaired and improved between Tripattore and Sankerrydroog as best adapted for feeding the Madras Rail Road. Suggests that the Superintendent of Roads be authorized to consider the line of Railway from Madras to the Western Coast as a thing determined upon and in progress, and observes that if he does this, all his projects must take a new direction, and while the present trunk roads will be kept up the most interesting part of his duty would be the designing and perfecting the best means of feeding the rail, also that if Government should direct the attention of the Superintendent to the subject of feeding the rail road, a report from him on the lines he would suggest for this purpose would be necessary before finally determined the stations.	2nd Mar.	28th Mar., 3.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 11.
Minute thereon	23rd Mar.	28th Mar., 4.	
Letter from the Consulting Engineer for —. Submits his opinion upon the proposed road from Bellary to Madras *viâ* Anantapur, with special reference to a bridge across the Pennaur.	7th April	9th May, 9.	
Minute thereon	6th May	10.	
Do.—Submits his opinion on the subject of tracing a pass from the neighbourhood of Cuddapahnuttum to Goriattum as called for by Government.	15th „	30th May, 18.	
Minute thereon	29th „	19.	
RAJAHMUNDRY.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of —, with the recommendation of the Board, that the vacant Pengondah Moonsiff's Court-house may be appropriated as a public bungalow for travellers, and submitting a tabular statement of the expense of a sweeper for the bungalow.	15th June	11th July, 3.	
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	8th July	4.	
Do.—Submits for sanction a plan and estimate amounting to Rs. 5,498-12-2 for the construction of a Sea Custom House at Cocanada in the district of —.	29th June	11.	
Order.—Sanctioned	10th July	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submitting further report upon the proposed ferry boats for the Godavery at Nursapoor and Bendamoor Lunka, and recommend that the estimate, amounting to Rs. 700 may receive sanction.	3rd Aug.	29th Aug., 10.	
Minute thereon	25th „	11.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate of ordinary expenditure for the repairs of ferry boats in the district of — amounting to Rs. 1,559-0-10.	7th „	25.	
Order.—Sanctioned	26th „	26.	

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RAJAHMUNDRY—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates for the construction of ferry boats and timber platform bridges in —, and Malabar amounting to Rupees 3,495-7-11.	17th Aug.	19th Sept., 1.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	16th Sept.	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Acting Civil Engineer, Godavery Division, with copy of the accounts of the Cocanada Lattice bridge furnished by the contractor, and observes that as the Board have failed to procure any further information from the Godavery division, they are unable to add anything to the report already submitted.	25th „	24th Oct., 1.	30th Oct. 1854, 15, p. 5.
Minute thereon	20th Oct.	2.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 1,395 for repairing the main street of the town of Cocanada in the district of —.	30th „	19th Dec., 22.	
Minute thereon	—	33.	
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SALEM.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a statement, with a Tamil translation, of receipts and disbursements of the — Cart fund for 1852, showing an expenditure for the repair and improvement of the roads, amounting to Rs. 3,125-14-0, for which sanction is solicited.	15th Dec. 1853.	13th Jan., 4.	
Minute thereon	11th Jan.	5.	
Do.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repair of roads in the district of — amounting to Rupees 3,332-10-11.	9th Feb.	28th Feb., 5.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	27th „	6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of ordinary and emergent expenditure and of the Marahmut establishment in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 16,202-14-10.	18th May	13th June 9.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	12th June	10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates for the construction of bridges and road dams in — amounting to Rs. 2,801-9-0.	28th Aug.	12th Sept., 14.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	9th Sept.	15.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction two estimates for widening the road from Moghanoor to Namcul, and constructing dams and drains and for bridges, dams, &c., along the road from Salem to Trichinopoly in the district of —.	19th Oct.	19th Dec., 20.	
Do.—Recommends for sanction an occasional estimate for the repair of works of irrigation in the district of —, amounting, after certain reductions, to Rupees 1,271-7-0.	12th „	30.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 3.
Minute thereon	—	33.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS.		1854.	
Letter from the —. Forwards extract from a letter from Overseer Graham in charge of trunk road No. 2, stating that the present annual allowance of Rupees 5,262-8-0 is insufficient for the proper repairs of the Sumpajee ghaut and road from Fraserpett to Mangalore in consequence of the great and increasing amount of traffic through Mercara owing to the arrangements under which a Salt Cotaur at Panimangalore has been established. Observing that the opinion of the Overseer as to the insufficiency of the present annual allowance is supported by the Collector of Canara and the Superintendent of Coorg, and recommends that Rs. 100 per mile may be allowed for the repairs of this line of communication. The increased estimate of Rs. 10,525 taking effect from the commencement of the official year 1854-55.	6th Dec. 1853.	6th Jan., 7.	9th Jan. 1855, 1.
Minute thereon	4th Jan.	8.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rupees 1,30,747-1-4 for work executed on the western trunk road during the official year 1852-53.	14th Dec. 1853.	15.	N.N.
Minute thereon	4th Jan.	16.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rupees 21,501-4-6 for work executed on trunk roads Nos. 8 and 9 during the second half year 1852-53.	16th Dec. 1853.	17.	N.N.
Minute thereon	4th Jan.	18.	
Do.—Report for the month of November 1853 ...	7th Dec. 1853.	24.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Order.—Recorded	—	25.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction an estimate, amounting to Rs. 31,954-12-6 for constructing portion of trunk road No. 11 between Poothalapett and Yerlumpilly on the line to Cuddapah.	17th Dec. 1853.	13th Jan., 1.	
Minute thereon	9th Jan.	2.	
Do.—Forwards copies of correspondence and original documents regarding the conduct of Assistant Overseer Kelly.	10th „	17th Jan., 1.	N.N.
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department for disposal.	14th „	2.	
Letter from the —. Submits for orders copy of a letter from his Assistant Lieutenant Chauney, together with charges preferred by that officer, against Private John Lawrence of the 2nd European Regiment, an Assistant Overseer in the Road department, and states that the man is now under arrest at Vellore.	12th „	3.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department for the orders of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.	14th „	4.	
Letter from the —. Forwards reports from his Assistants for the month of December 1853, and proposes, in order to find employment for a portion of the population in the Cuddapah district, that Mr. Addis be authorized to carry on work (in anticipation of the estimates being sanctioned) on the portion of trunk road No. 11 between the Goolcherroo and Damulcherroo ghauts, commencing from the former, from which 38 miles of the trace are reported to be finished.	11th „	7.	24th April 1854, 4, p. 8.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Order.—Sanctioned, in anticipation of the regular estimates, which Government observe should be submitted as soon as possible.	—	17th Jan., 8.	
Letter from the —. Submits for orders copy of a letter from the Paymaster, Southern Division, regarding certain retrenchment from Lieutenant Francis' pay.	23rd Nov. 1853.	27th Jan., 17.	N.N.
Order.—Government observe that Lieutenant A. Francis was appointed to the charge of the trunk road No. 8 on a special allowance of Rs. 150 per mensem for 18 months provided for by the estimate for that work, and that it was not the intention of Government that he should suffer in the military allowances which would have been payable to him, had not that appointment been made.	25th Jan.	18.	
Letter from the —. Solicits renewed sanction for the annual expenditure of Rs. 2,974 for trunk road No. 6 between Yerkenjairy and Goomdipoondy, and forwards a statement of the traffic on that road.	3rd „	21.	9th Jan., 1855, 1, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	25th „	22.	
Letter from the —. Requests that the services of four European Assistant Overseers may be made available for employment on trunk roads Nos. 6 and 11.	20th „	27.	N.N.
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department in view that, if avilable, the services of four European Assistant Overseers may be placed at the disposal of the Superintendent of Roads for employment on trunk roads Nos. 6 and 11.	25th „	28.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rs. 28,924-0-9 for work performed on trunk roads Nos. 2, 6 and 8.	23rd Dec. 1853.	31.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	32.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate for a bridge of 25 arches across the Naugooliah river in the town of Chicacole on the high northern trunk road No. 6, amounting to Rs. 29,285-2-10.	9th Jan.	7th Feb., 11.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	12.	
Letter from the —. Solicits sanction for an advance of Rs. 20,000 to commence work on trunk roads Nos. 6 and 11 in anticipation of estimates being submitted.	20th Jan.	14th Feb., 3.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 8.
Order.—The advance sanctioned	9th Feb.	4.	
Letter from the —. Submits two statements of the accounts of the Road department to the 31st October 1853, one comprising the estimates which have been worked out and on which the accounts have been finally adjusted, and the other the estimates still in force at that time.	15th Dec. 1853.	14.	N.N.
Minute thereon	11th Feb.	15.	
Do.—Submits additional report for the month of November 1853, and proposes that two new lines of roads may be opened through the Salem district.	19th Jan.	24th Feb., 20.	24th April 1854, 4, p. 8.
Order.—Communicated to the Consulting Engineer that he may offer any observations that may occur to him on the proposed lines of road through the Salem district with reference to the direction of the railway, and to their effect on it.	22nd Feb.	21.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 6,655–8–6 for the annual repairs of trunk road No. 1 from the 129th mile to the Mysore frontier at Attappilly.	1st Feb.	24th Feb., 24.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	25.	
Letter from the —. States that the sum allowed for the annual repairs of the road from Itchapore to the Bengal frontier for the year 1852–53 was Rs. 2,400 and not Rs. 1,680.	30th Jan.	34.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	35.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a letter from the Civil Engineer, 4th Division, and requests sanction for Rs. 6,102–2–10, for constructing bridges and drains between Naggery and Kirkumbuddy on the direct road to Cuddapah.	7th Feb.	28th Feb., 3.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 4.
Minute thereon	27th „	4.	
Do.—Forwards correspondence relative to the levy of tolls on trunk roads, together with a statement showing the expenditure on trunk roads to 1st November 1853, the annual establishment in force, and the places proposed for the erection of turnpike gates.	22nd Dec. 1853.	14th Mar., 3.	24th Mar. 1854, 5, p. 14.
Minute thereon	3rd Mar.	4.	
Do.—Forwards application from his Assistant Lieutenant Chauncy for permission to resign his appointment, and suggests arrangements which appear desirable to be made on Lieutenant Chauncy being relieved.	23rd Jan.	11.	N.N.
Order.—Government approve of the arrangements proposed by the Superintendent of Roads for the employment of his subordinates in the event of Lieutenant Chauncy proceeding in April on furlough to England, and trust that Mr. Chauncy will not relinquish his office till he has completed the setting up of the posts of the Electric telegraph a duty which, under the orders of the Governor-General of India, has been particularly placed in his hands to discharge. Observe that it will be desirable that Lieutenant Chauncy should not quit the department before the return of Captain Heathorn.	7th Mar.	12.	
Letter from the —. Forwards correspondence from the Collector of Bellary and the Civil Engineer, 3rd Division, relative to the Bellary road estimates.	7th Feb.	22.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 5.
Order.—Before passing orders on this letter and correspondence communicating them to Major Pears, Consulting Engineer for Railways, for report on the propositions they contain.	—	23.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 615 for placing additional metal on trunk road No. 5 from Coimbatore towards Avanashy.	13th Feb.	37.	Do., p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	38.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rs. 78,440–14–10 for work performed on trunk roads Nos. 6 and 10.	13th Feb.	39.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	40.	
Do.—Report for the month of January 1854 ...	—	47.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Order.—To be recorded	—	14th Mar., 48.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rs. 8,856-14-7 for works performed on trunk roads Nos. 5 and 10.	23rd Feb.	21st Mar., 19.	N.N.
Minute thereon	20th Mar.	20.	
Do.—Forwards extract of a letter from the Collector of Canara, solicits renewed sanction for the maintenance of the Munzerabad ghaut and road and the appointment of an officer for trunk road No. 2 and its branches.	28th Feb.	— 34.	24th April 1854, 4, p. 6.
Minute thereon	—	35.	
Do.—Forwards copy of a letter from his Assistant Lieutenant Barber relative to travelling allowance.	17th Mar.	28th Mar., 7.	N.N.
Order.—Referred to the Military Auditor-General for report.	25th "	8.	
Letter from the —. Informs that up to the end of January last, no portion of the Rs. 9,000 sanctioned for preliminary works on trunk road No. 13 in the Cuddapah district had been expended.	1st "	12.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 4.
Minute thereon	—	13.	
Do.—Report for the month of February 1854 ...	14th Mar.	16.	Do., p. 9.
Order.—Recorded	—	17.	
Letter from the —. Submits an application for the services of Sergeant James King of the 2nd European Light Infantry as an Assistant Overseer.	23rd Mar.	7th Apr., 5.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department in view to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief being requested to place the services of Sergeant James King at the disposal of the —.	29th "	6.	N.N.
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 68-13-8 for repairing a platform bridge on trunk road No. 6 between Guntoor and Pruttorpaud.	13th "	12.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	30th "	13.	
Letter from the —. Submits a letter from Lieutenant Rundall, First Assistant Civil Engineer, forwarding a survey and estimate prepared by Lieutenant Magrath for the construction of a portion of trunk road No. 6 within his range from Soobaram to the bridge over the Bimlipatam river, and soliciting permission in anticipation of estimates being sanctioned to commence the earthwork of the road from the Bimlipatam bridge to Itchapore, with the view of affording employment to the poor people of the country during the present scarcity.	27th Feb.	12th Apr., 1.	Do.
Minute thereon	10th April	2.	
Do.—Submits for sanction estimates for repairing portions of trunk roads Nos. 8 and 9, amounting to Rs. 1,525-0-0.	23rd Mar.	3.	Do.
Order.—Sanctioned	10th April	4.	
Letter from the —. Reports the death of Assistant Overseer J. Johnston on the 8th instant.	12th "	21st Apr., 6.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department...	13th "	7.	
Letter from the —. Recommends certain individuals of the Road department for the fourth-class travelling allowance or Rs. 50 per mensem.	31st Mar.	14.	N.N.
Minute thereon	19th April	15.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Recommending the construction of a bridge across the Lower Coleroon annicut on the southern trunk road at the estimated cost of Rupees 80,000.	17th Mar.	21st Apr., 20.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 13.
Minute thereon	—	21.	
Do.—Soliciting sanction for an annual expenditure of Rs. 1,300 for keeping in repair portion of road No. 13 between Naggery and Kircumbaddy.	28th Mar.	24.	Do., p. 4.
Minute thereon	—	25.	
Do.—Report for the month of March 1854	3rd April	28.	Do., p. 9.
Order.—Recorded	—	29.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 30,698–2–6 including the advance of Rs. 10,000 already sanctioned by Government for constructing part of trunk road No. 11 between Kulloor and Calcudda. Observes that he intends shortly to examine personally this line of road, and that he will report the result to Government.	7th April	2nd May, 20.	Do., p. 2.
Minute thereon	27th „	21.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 68,812–13–9 for completing portions of northern trunk road No. 6 between Goomidipoondy and Covoor.	17th „	26.	
Minute thereon	27th „	27.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction estimate amounting to Rs. 1,17,112–12–1 for the construction and metalling of part of trunk road No. 6 from Covoor to Moodigundah river.	3rd „	31.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 8.
Minute thereon	—	32.	
Do.—Reports the death of Assistant Overseer T. Brown.	1st May	9th May, 7.	
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department ...	5th „	8.	
Letter from the —. Forwards an application from Assistant Overseer Thornber for permission to return to his Corps, and applies for three more European Overseers.	4th „	19.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 5.
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department with an application for the services of three more non-commissioned officers to supply the vacancies caused in the Road department by the resignation of Assistant Overseer Thornber and by the death of Assistant Overseer Brown and Johnston.	—	20.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a report from the Sub-Collector of Malabar on the portion of trunk road No. 5 between Waliaur and Ponany, and solicits sanction for a continuance of the allowance for its annual repair.	22nd April	16th May, 3.	Do., p. 2.
Minute thereon	13th May	4.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rupees 41,480–11–4 for work performed on trunk roads Nos. 1, 8 and 9.	2nd „	23rd May, 13.	N.N.
Minute thereon	20th „	14.	
Do.—Recommends an increase of Rs. 100 to the salary of his Assistant Mr. Addis.	4th „	15.	N.N.
Minute thereon	20th „	16.	
Do.—Submits explanation on the subject of the bridge over the Vuddavaur channel which was constructed by his department.	1st „	30th May, 10.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 10.
Minute thereon	29th „	11.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Submits report for the month of April 1854.	5th May	30th May, 16.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Minute thereon	29th „	17.	
Do.—Solicits orders for the disposal of a sum of Rs. 2,216–11–0 which appears in excess in the accounts of the department and which from the information afforded by Captain Heathorn may be fairly considered to belong to the estate of the late Superintendent Captain Best.	24th „	6th June, 3.	N.N.
Order.—Referred for the opinion of the Accountant-General.	2nd June	4.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 1,34,020–12–0 for the construction of a part of trunk road No. 7 from the Moodigundah river to the Hyderabad frontier.	4th May	7.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 27.
Minute thereon	5th June	8.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 205–12–0 for repairing two ferry boats at the Lower Coleroon annicut.	23rd May	15.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	16.	
Letter from the —. Submits observations on the report of the Public Works Commissioners relative to the Road department.	10th May	13th June, 3.	22nd Nov. 1854, 16, also 9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 33.
Order.—To be recorded and printed with any further papers that may be selected for that purpose connected with the Commissioner's report.	10th June	4.	
Letter from the —. Forwards correspondence regarding the relative value to the Salem district of the Topoor and Munjawaddy lines of road between Vaniembaddy and Sunkerrydroog, and proposes to prepare estimates for maintaining and improving the Topoor line of road from Vaniembaddy to Woomaloor.	23rd May	5.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 11.
Order.—Before disposing of the proposition for improving and metalling the Topoor line from Vaniembaddy to Woomaloor, and from Sunkerrydroog to Bowany, desiring to know whether it has the concurrence of the Consulting Engineer with whom it was understood the — was to be in communication on the subject of the line through the Salem district.	10th June	6.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a letter from his Assistant Lieutenant Barber together with an application from Assistant Overseer Keenan for permission to resign his appointment in the Road department.	6th „	7.	N.N.
Order.—Approved	10th „	8.	
Letter from the —. States that the Civil Engineer of the 7th Division has been requested to furnish a plan and estimate for a bridge over the river at Tirtala on trunk road No. 5.	22nd May	19.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	20.	
Letter from the —. Submits his report on trunk road No. 11.	25th May	21.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Minute thereon	—	22.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Applies for the services of Lieutenant Johnson of the 39th and of Captain Anderson of the 34th Regiment, Native Infantry, for employments on trunk roads Nos. 12 and 6.	6th June	13th June, 23.	
Minute thereon	—	25.	
Do.—Submits an application for the services of Private H. McGinnis of the 1st Madras Fusiliers for employment in the Road department.	10th June,	20th June, 1.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department in view to the services of Private H. McGinnis being placed at the disposal of the —.	15th „	2.	
Letter from the —. Submits for orders a proposition regarding a change in the system of accounts which now obtains in the Road department.	6th „	15.	N.N.
Order.—Forwarded to the Accountant-General for report.	—	16.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a letter from his Assistant Captain Heathorn regarding the deviation from the sanctioned plan of the Vickrawandy bridge.	9th June	27th June, 1.	N.N.
Order.—Government observe that from the explanation afforded by Captain Heathorn it appears that officer had the authority and instructions of his immediate superior for deviating from the sanctioned plan of the Vickrawandy bridge.	22nd „	2.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction contingent bill amounting to Rs. 857-10-8.	12th „	3.	N.N.
Minute thereon	22nd „	4.	
Do.—Report for the month of May 1854	12th „	16.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Order.—Recorded	—	17.	
Letter from the —. As directed in Minutes of Consultation, dated the 5th instant, submits statements comprising all particulars of the four lac fund from the formation of the Road department in 1846 to the 1st May 1854.	9th June	4th July, 7.	Do., p. 27.
Do.—Informs that the particulars called for in memorandum of the 14th instant of the prospective expenditure during the current year are contained in a statement submitted on the 9th instant.	15th „	8.	Do., p. 27.
Minute thereon	—	9.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rupees 2,49,288-13-1 for work performed on certain trunk roads.	23rd June	18th July, 5.	N.N.
Minute thereon	15th July	6.	
Do.—Requests that the original documents submitted with his letter, dated 10th January last, may be returned to his office.	10th „	11.	
Order.—The documents returned to the —	15th „	12.	
Letter from the —. Submits an application for the services of 2nd Corporal W. Campbell of the Sappers and Miners.	12th „	13.	N.N.
Order.—Forwarded to the Military Department in view to the services of Corporal Campbell being placed under the orders of the —	15th „	14.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Submits copy of a letter from the Consulting Engineer for Railways regarding the proposed improvements to trunk road No. 5 from Vaniembaddy to Bowany *viâ* the Topoor Pass.	20th June	25th July, 3.	
Minute thereon	22nd July	4.	
Do.—Reports the death of Sergeant Bowers, Assistant Overseer in the Road department, and submits an application for the services of Private Robertson of the 2nd European Light Infantry.	21st „	22.	N.N.
Order.—Communicated to the Military Department where orders will be issued for the transfer of Private Robertson.	—	23.	
Letter from the —. Submits the reports of his Assistants for last month, and states that Captain Heathorn's has been retained, that officer having written so desparingly of the manner in which the works generally on trunk roads Nos. 8 and 9 have been conducted during his absence, that he considered it requisite to call upon Lieutenants Tireman and Francis for some explanation.	8th July	1st Aug., 1.	
Minute thereon	31st „	2.	
Do.—Submits correspondence with the Collector of Rajahmundry together with an estimate of Rupees 6,450–4–0 for emergent repairs to a portion of trunk road No. 6 between Yernagoodem and Tooney, and proposes to place this expenditure as a charge on the four lac fund for 1855–56.	28th „	8th Aug., 1.	
Minute thereon	5th Aug.	2.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rupees 38,158–12–8 for work executed on trunk roads Nos. 6, 9 and 11.	7th July	15th Aug., 1.	N.N.
Minute thereon	10th Aug.	2.	
Do.—Notices the several changes that have taken place among the Assistants and Overseers since the transmission of his general report on the operations of the Road department to 1st May 1853, and details the progress of works made on the several trunk lines during the past official year.	4th July	22nd Aug., 3.	21st Sept. 1854, 13.
Minute thereon	19th Aug.	4.	
Do.—Solicits sanction for certain arrangements proposed by Captain Ludlow, and Mr. Thomas, Collector of Coimbatore.	31st July	13.	N.N.
Minute thereon	19th Aug.	14.	
Do.—Submits for sanction a plan and estimate of Rs. 29,923–5–9 for constructing a bridge over the Iritty river, the cost to be charged to the four lac fund for 1855–56.	1st „	15.	9th Jan 1855, 1 p. 7.
Minute thereon	19th „	16.	
Do.—Forwards copy of a letter from Captain Ludlow, Civil Engineer, 7th Division, explaining the cause of the delay in preparing estimates and taking section of the Tritullah river.	2nd „	25.	N.N.
Order.—Recorded	—	26.	
Letter from the —. Solicits sanction for an annual allowance of Rs. 14,950 for trunk roads Nos. 8 and 9.	29th Aug.	19th Sept., 15.	
Minute thereon	18th Sept.	16.	
Do.—Forwards for information a sketch plan and estimate amounting to Rs. 804–15–0 for improving the road east of the Polaveram Cantonment.	9th „	17.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 12.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Minute thereon	18th Sept.	19th Sept., 18.	
Letter from the —. Submits report for the month of July 1854.	18th Aug.	26th Sept., 5.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Minute thereon	22nd Sept.	6.	
Do.—Submits correspondence, and solicits orders regarding the discharge of Assistant Overseer Selkirk.	20th "	11.	
Order.—Government have no objection to the acceptance of Overseer Selkirk's resignation, and observe that his application for discharge will be disposed of in the Military Department.	23rd "	12.	
Letter from the —. Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 7,115–10–0 for remetalling the first six miles of trunk road No. 6.	31st Aug.	3rd Oct., 7.	Do., p. 2.
Minute thereon	30th Sept.	8.	
Do.—Report for the month of August 1854	11th "	9.	Do., p. 9.
Minute thereon	30th "	10.	
Do.—Submits plan and estimate amounting to Rupees 5,980–11–0 for adding two side arches each of 20 feet to the Vuddavaur bridge, &c.	23rd "	19.	Do., p. 18.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	20.	
Letter from the —. Submits copy of a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, on work performed in the Cuddapah district on the second-class road No. 3, and recommends that an annual allowance may be sanctioned to keep it in repair.	25th Sept.	10th Oct., 7.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 23.
Minute thereon	7th Oct.	8.	
Do.—Submits a letter from his Assistant Ensign Johnson, and, under circumstances therein explained, recommends the removal of Assistant Overseer McGuiness of the 1st Madras Fusiliers from the Road department.	3rd "	22.	N.N.
Order.—Assistant Overseer McGuiness of the 1st Madras Fusiliers removed from the Road department, and this correspondence and resolution thereon communicated to the Military Department.	—	23.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rs. 42,380–11–10 for work performed on certain trunk roads.	28th Sept.	17th Oct., 10.	N.N.
Minute thereon	14th Oct.	11.	
Do.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 9,560–8–0 for completing as a first-class road the portion of trunk road No. 11 between Chittoor and Poothalpett.	27th Sept.	16.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 2.
Minute thereon	14th Oct.	17.	
Do.—Submits medical certificate from the Civil Surgeon at Vizagapatam together with copy of a letter from his Assistant Captain Anderson to Captain Rundall requesting permission to resign his appointment, and requests that another officer may be appointed to the department.	14th "	26.	N.N.
Order.—Government permit Mr. Anderson to resign his appointment of Assistant to the —.	—	27.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a letter from the Civil Engineer, 2nd Division, reporting that work has been stopped on trunk road No. 13 in Cuddapah until the monsoon is over.	14th Oct.	24th Oct., 18.	
Order.—Recorded	—	19.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction estimate amounting to Rs. 56,697–7–10 for constructing a portion of trunk road No. 11 between Calcudda and the foot of the Goolcherroo ghaut.	18th Oct.	31st Oct., 23.	
Minute thereon	30th „	24.	
Do.—Report for the month of September 1854 ...	12th „	27.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Order.—Recorded	—	28.	
Letter from the —. Submits estimates amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 1,29,132–1–5 together with plans, &c., for improving trunk road No. 5 from Vaniembaddy to Bowany *viâ* the Topoor Pass.	26th Sept.	14th Nov., 3.	N.N.
Minute thereon	4th Nov.	4.	
Do.—Requests that Assistant Overseer Robertson may be permitted to leave the department on account of ill-health.	9th „	27.	N.N.
Order.—Authorized accordingly. Government observe that Assistant Overseer Robertson's request to remain at St. Thomas' Mount will be considered in the Military Department.	13th „	28.	
Letter from the —. Report for the month of October 1854.	7th „	21st Nov., 5.	9th Jan. 1855, 1, p. 9.
Minute thereon	18th „	6.	
Do.—Forwards medical certificate together with copy of an application from Assistant Overseer Jolliffe requesting permission to leave the Road department.	13th „	7.	N.N.
Order.—Assistant Overseer Jolliffe permitted to resign his appointment in the Road department.	18th „	8.	
Letter from the —. Forwards for sanction two estimates for rebuilding the bridge in the embankment forming the south approach to the bridge over the Bimlipatam river on trunk road No. 6 destroyed by the heavy flood on the 30th October 1854 and for erecting a small bridge of three arches between Ankapilly and Soobaram on the same road, amounting to Rs. 6,061–8–0.	16th „	28th Nov., 13.	
Minute thereon	—	14	
Do.—Forwards copies of qualification certificates of Mr. Ricketts, and solicits permission to entertain him as an Assistant on Rs. 250 per mensem.	20th Nov.	15.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	17.	
Do.—Submits explanation regarding the state of the four lac fund for 1855–56.	10th Nov.	5th Dec., 6.	
Minute thereon	4th Dec.	7.	
Do.—Submits copy of a letter from his Assistant Mr. Addis, and solicits the removal on account of ill-health of Assistant Overseer Harvey from the department.	4th „	12th Dec., 3.	
Order.—Assistant Overseer Harvey to leave the Road department on account of ill-health.	8th „	4.	

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SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a letter from Lieutenant Walker, and requests sanction for the transfer to his department of Assistant Overseer Roots as therein recommended; solicits orders with reference to the renewed application of Lieutenant Walker for sanction to the estimate for constructing a bridge over the Pennaur river at Ooderpoodroog.	6th Nov.	12th Dec., 5.	
Minute thereon	9th Dec.	6.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction bills amounting to Rupees 37,102-4-3 for work performed on trunk roads Nos. 1 and 10.	27th Nov.	7.	
Minute thereon	9th Dec.	8.	
Do.—Forwards for sanction estimates amounting to Rs. 4,441-2-0 for the construction of two bridges and a tunnel on trunk road No. 5.	6th "	19th Dec., 11.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 16.
Order.—Sanctioned	15th "	12.	
Letter from the —. Forwards copy of a letter from Major Lawford, Civil Engineer, 6th Division, and recommends that two choultries be erected on trunk road No. 9.	9th "	14.	
Order.—Forwarded to the Board of Public Works for consideration and report.	16th "	15.	
Letter from the —. Forwards extract of a letter from his Assistant, and requests that the remaining portion of the original documents submitted to Government on the 10th of January last be returned to his office.	12th "	Diary after Cons., 19th Dec., 45.	N.N.
Order.—The documents returned to the —	—	46.	
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TANJORE.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 8,954-8-0 for the formation of the road between Tanjore and Manargoody in the district of —.	9th Jan.	27th Jan., 40.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 8.
Order.—Sanctioned	—	41.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — with the recommendation of the Board that authority may be granted for the demolition of the Tranquebar Fort walls, the materials being used in making roads in the vicinity of the town.	19th Jan.	14th Mar., 5.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 38.
Minute thereon	8th Mar.	6.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — with the recommendation of the Board that sanction may be granted for the appropriation of the amount of profit realized upon the sale of chunam at the Lower Coleroon anicut in the construction of a choultry at that place.	13th Feb.	9.	
Minute thereon	3rd Mar.	10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — recommending an outlay of Rs. 5,000 from the surplus pagoda funds for works for the drainage of the town of Combaconum, and requests authority for the same.	10th April	2nd May, 22.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 11.
Order.—Sanctioned	27th "	23.	

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TANJORE—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction ordinary estimates for repairs to navigation works in the — district, amounting to Rs. 800–9–0.	8th June	20th June, 17.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	18.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates amounting to Rs. 67,382–14–11 for the roads from Kotoor to Shengoondy, Trivalore to Tritrapoondy, Aumeapettah to Papanassum, for a surplus channel bridge near Negapatam, and for two bridges on the Tanjore and Poodocottah road in the — district, and recommends for favourable consideration the Civil Engineer's proposition for preparing materials for the bridges on the Aumeapettah and Papanassum road.	29th May	27th June, 7.	
Minute thereon	26th June	8.	
Do.—Submits plan and estimate for the construction of a road from Cungulanchary to the sea-port of Nagore in the district of —, and recommends for sanction the estimate amounting to Rs. 12,851–13–1.	6th July	25th July, 11.	N.N.
Order.—The Board of Public Works will enter the foregoing project of which the Government approve in the list of works to be submitted to the Government of India for sanction under the orders of the 13th April and 3rd June 1854.	—	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure on Civil buildings in — for 1852, amounting to Rs. 4,381–8–0.	10th July	15.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	16.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for road repairs in — during 1852, amounting to Rs. 6,711–6–0.	10th July	1st Aug., 5.	
Order.—Sanctioned	—	6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates for the construction of certain roads and bridges in —, amounting together to Rs. 21,469–11–10.	7th Aug.	29th Aug., 14.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 9.
Minute thereon	25th „	15.	
Do.—Submits a letter from the Collector of — with plan and estimate for repairing and rebuilding the wall of the fort of Tranquebar, and recommends that sanction may be granted to the amount thereof, and a yearly sum of Rs. 200 for repairs.	21st „	19th Sept., 13.	23rd April 1855, 4, p. 38.
Minute thereon	18th Sept.	14.	
Do.—Forwards correspondence on the subject of the establishment of public bungalows at Tranquebar, and between that place and Combaconum, and recommends for sanction the construction of the former and the addition of two bath-rooms to the soldiers' bungalow at Shatanoor at an estimated cost of Rs. 560–12–6	2nd Nov.	28th Nov. 1.	Do., p. 35.
Minute thereon	24th „	2.	
Letter from the Collector of —. Offering opinion on certain projects proposed by the Chief Engineer and other officers as far as they affect his district.	9th „	12th Dec., 9.	
Minute thereon	11th Dec.	10.	

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TANJORE—*cont.*		1854.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates for altering certain bridges in the Tritrapoondy talook in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 4,000–14–0.	30th Oct.	19th Dec., 24.	8th June 1855, 5, p. 3.
Minute thereon	—	33.	
TINNEVELLY.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure on Civil buildings in — during 1852, amounting to Rs. 3,849–9–10.	27th July	15th Aug., 5.	
Order.—Sanctioned	10th Aug.	6.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of charges incurred for roads and bridges in the district of — during the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 13,995–6–1.	27th July	22nd Aug., 9.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	19th Aug.	10.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Details the measures adopted in — for procuring labour for the Cotton roads in progress there, and expresses their belief that the difficulty of procuring a regular supply of labourers without compulsion is almost insurmountable. Concurs with the Civil Engineer and the Collector that the only resource now open to Government is the formation of a permanent corps of coolies, and points out the probable results and advantages of the scheme, which the Board strongly recommend for adoption.	24th „	26th Sept., 1.	
Do.—Submits letters from the Collector of — and the Civil Engineer, 8th Division, on the subject of the proposed Pioneer corps in —, and recommends the revised estimate supplied by the Civil Engineer amounting to Rs. 36,880–15–0 for the annual expense of the corps.	28th „	2.	
Minute thereon	21st Sept.	3.	
TRAVANCORE AND COCHIN.			
Letter to the Resident of—. Forwarding copy of a letter from the Quartermaster-General of the Army, and requesting that half-yearly statements may be furnished to his office showing the changes in the Road department of the nature described.	—	7th Feb., 19.	
TRICHINOPOLY.			
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Recommends for sanction ordinary estimates for the repair of made roads in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 535–2–0.	19th Dec. 1853.	27th Jan., 7.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 2.
Order.—Sanctioned	24th Jan.	8.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate for a road from Poodoopollium to Koolitully in the — district, amounting to Rs. 6,400.	16th „	24th Feb., 1.	Do., p. 6.
Order.—Sanctioned	16th Feb.	2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates for the repair and improvement of roads leading from Trichinopoly towards Poodoocottah and Trichinopoly *viâ*	2nd „	28th Mar., 1.	Do., p. 7.

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TRICHINOPOLY—*cont.*		1854.	
Laulgoody to Arcalore with a branch to the bank of the Coleroon to Trimuldavee in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 8,789-9-2.			
Minute thereon	23rd Mar.	28th Mar., 2.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for the repair of roads, &c., in — for 1852, amounting to Rs. 5,150-9-9.	23rd „	21st Apr., 10. 11.	
Order.—Sanctioned	18th April	12.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for Civil buildings, &c., in —, for 1852, amounting to Rs. 688-6-4.	23rd Mar.	13.	
Order.—Sanctioned	18th April	22nd Aug.,	N.N.
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction plan and estimate amounting to Rs. 15,177 for the reconstruction of that portion of the Trichinopoly and Dindigul road which is situated in the — district.	24th July	21.	
Minute thereon	21st Aug.	22.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction estimates for repairing the — roads, amounting to Rs. 3,505-1-9.	6th Nov.	21st Nov., 3.	
Order.—Sanctioned	18th „	4.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction an estimate amounting to Rs. 2,707 for completing the road from Trichinopoly to Salem between the Areekistna jungle stream and the boundary of the Salem district, the estimate sanctioned by Government on the 28th January 1853 not providing for this portion of the road.	9th Oct.	5th Dec., 4.	
Minute thereon	4th Dec.	5.	
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VIZAGAPATAM.			
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits letters from the Collector of — and First Assistant Civil Engineer, Sub-Division, suggesting that certain special road-works estimated at Rs. 66,500 be undertaken for the purpose of affording employment to the people during the impending scarcity, and recommends that the same may receive sanction. Requests also that the Collector may be authorized to excavate the tank which he states to be required between Vizagapatam and Waltair, and states that three officers and twelve Assistant Overseers will be required for one year at an outlay of Rs. 15,525. Requests that the Officer Commanding the European Veterans at Vizagapatam be directed to place the non-commissioned officers at the disposal of the First Assistant Civil Engineer.	4th Jan.	27th Jan., 35.	28th April 1854, 9, p. 19.
Minute thereon	—	36.	

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VIZAGAPATAM—*cont.*		1854.	
Extract from Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits, with the recommendation of the Board, a letter from the First Assistant Civil Engineer of Sub-Division suggesting the employment of Lieutenant Thompson of the Artillery at Vizianagrum in superintending the construction of the passes into the Jeypoor country.	19th Jan.	14th Feb., 22.	N.N.
Minute thereon	—	24.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statement of expenditure in the construction of ferry boats in the district of —, amounting to Rs. 136–4–0.	30th Jan.	24th Feb., 14.	
Order.—Sanctioned	20th Feb.	15.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction statements of expenditure for repairs of Civil buildings, &c., in the district of — for the year 1852, amounting to Rs. 1,393–13–3.	9th ,,	28th Feb., 7.	
Order.—Sanctioned	27th ,,	8.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits letters from the First Assistant Civil Engineer of Sub-Division recommending an additional outlay of Rs. 1,500 in perfecting the new road from — to Yamoolawulsah near Bimlipatam. The construction of three bridges thereupon at an estimated cost of Rs. 8,565–10–6, and an annual grant amounting to Rs. 1,750 for the preservation of this and the road to Ankapilly, and requests that the sanction of Government may be accorded.	9th ,,	14th Mar., 24.	16th Feb. 1855, 3, p. 17.
Minute thereon	—	25.	
Do.—Submits for sanction plans and estimates for the formation of roads in the Ganjam and — districts, amounting to Rs. 87,385–14–1.	24th April	27th June, 12.	
A letter addressed to the Government of India ...	—	13.	
Do.—Submits for sanction plan and estimate for the construction of a Custom House at Bimlipatam in — amounting to Rs. 2,986–3–7.	28th Aug.	12th Sept., 16.	
Order.—Sanctioned	9th Sept.	17.	
Letter from the Board of Revenue, Public Works Department.—Submits for sanction bill for occasional and emergent works executed in the district of — in 1852, amounting to Rs. 2,390–11–3.	27th Nov.	19th Dec., 3.	N.N.
Order.—Sanctioned	14th Dec.	4.	
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